Draw a Generic Mammal with Mass Shapes and Joint Landmarks

Original tasks 1, 2 / independent work

Task 1

A learner places an abdomen ovoid 8 cm long, a chest ovoid 5 cm long, and a hindquarter ovoid 5 cm long. The head ovoid is 3 cm long. They mark the shoulder circle 2 cm below the top of the chest and the hip circle 2 cm below the top of the hindquarter. The front wrist circle is on the ground line and the hind ankle circle is 1 cm above the ground line. Describe one adjustment to balance the legs and explain why.

Task 2

A learner draws fur arrows on the back pointing from back to front, on the chest pointing upward, and on the legs pointing upward. They ask whether the fur direction is consistent. Describe a correction using general fur-direction cues.

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Task 3

A learner marks only two joint circles per leg: shoulder and wrist on the front leg, hip and ankle on the hind leg. They connect the circles with straight lines. Explain why adding the elbow and knee circles improves the construction.

Task 4

A learner draws a generic mammal with a very large abdomen ovoid and a very small chest ovoid. The head ovoid is placed far forward, leaving a long gap between the head and chest. Suggest two adjustments to improve the construction and explain how to check them.