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Topic reference / ordinary illustration



Ordinary topic reference. Hypothetical dimensions in the four tasks are supplied in their own text; this illustration is not their measured answer.

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Worked example / complete source key

On a page, a mother's height from baseline to head midline is 150 mm. Use a ratio of 1.5 to find the son's height, then describe where to place the shared wrist point and one shared gesture check.

Answer: Child height = 150 divided by 1.5 = 100 mm. Draw the child's head-midline guide at 100 mm above the same baseline. Place one shared wrist point between the bodies, with the child's arm reaching up and the adult's arm angled down. For the gesture check, draw both torso center lines leaning toward that wrist point and confirm each angle against the vertical guide.