Draw a Realistic Snake: S-Curve, Scale Rows, and Shading

Original task 1 / independent drawing and calculation

Task 1

Draw a light S-curve 12 cm long with two bends. Mark head and tail ends. Offset the body width so it is widest 3 cm from the head and narrows to a point at the tail. Draw two guide bands and fill them with diamond scales that follow the curve. Shade the lower edge darker.

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Original task 2 / independent drawing and calculation

Task 2

Draw a 10 cm S-curve with one gentle upper bend and one lower bend. Draw three guide bands. Fill the middle band with oval scales and the other two bands with soft rectangle scales. Compress the rows on the inside of each bend. Add a light shadow on the right side.

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Original task 3 / independent drawing and calculation

Task 3

Draw a 14 cm S-curve and taper the body to a fine tail point. Draw four guide bands. Reduce scale size and row spacing gradually from head to tail. Shade the lower-right side in three layers: light tone, darker lower edge, and small highlights on upper scales.

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Original task 4 / independent drawing and calculation

Task 4

Draw a 16 cm S-curve with a neutral head and closed mouth. Add a small oval eye. Draw three guide bands and fill them with oval scales. Erase construction lines lightly. Check that no scale row runs parallel to the page edge and that the head is not in a strike pose.

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Full drawing sheet / reusable blank workspace

Reusable full drawing sheet for Tasks 1 to 4. Print another copy when needed. Keep all original task measurements; if a task specifies larger paper, use that paper size.