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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

A student draws a head oval 6 cm wide and 8 cm tall. They choose a rounded volume that extends 1 cm beyond the oval on each side, a center parting, and fall lines that curve inward. Describe how to check the construction.

Answer: The volume width is 6 + 1 + 1 = 8 cm. The volume height stays 8 cm because the rounded shape does not extend above or below the oval. The center parting runs from the top midline to the back of the scalp. Fall lines start at the volume edge and curve inward toward the jaw. Check that the face area is clear, that the parting is a single darker line, and that at least three fall lines are labeled. These values are hypothetical examples, not standards.