Draw a Boxer Dog: Body Build and Muzzle Construction

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

Using a hypothetical x-height of 4 cm, describe how to place a boxer's body box and muzzle rectangle on paper, and give the key measurements.

Answer: Draw a baseline and a midline 4 cm apart. Center a body box 12 cm wide and 10 cm tall on the baseline. Mark withers at the top, chest bottom 6 cm below the withers, hip top level with the withers, and belly line 2 cm above the baseline. Add a neck 4 cm long angled forward. Above the neck, draw a head circle 6 cm wide with a vertical center line and horizontal eye line. In the lower half, sketch a muzzle rectangle 3.2 cm wide and 2 cm deep, projecting slightly forward. Place a nose triangle 1.2 cm wide at the front. Check that muzzle depth is about half the x-height and chest depth about 1.5 x-heights.