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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 frame is 20 cm wide and 15 cm high with a 2 cm margin. Place a horizon guide one-third from the top of the frame and a water-edge line from the left frame side at 10 cm height to the right frame side at 8 cm height. A bird silhouette is 2 cm wide. Check the bird's share of frame width.

Answer: Frame width is 20 cm minus 4 cm of margins = 16 cm. Frame height is 15 cm minus 4 cm of margins = 11 cm. Bird share is 2 cm divided by 16 cm = 0.125, or one-eighth of frame width. The horizon guide sits one-third of 11 cm ≈ 3.67 cm from the top of the inside frame, which is about 5.67 cm from the top edge of the paper. The water-edge line runs from 10 cm height on the left frame side to 8 cm height on the right frame side, so it drops 2 cm across the frame width and slopes gently downward from left to right.