Drawing Riddles: Sketch Answers in Boxes

Original tasks 1, 2, 3 / complete keys

Task 1

Clue: I have teeth but do not bite, and a handle but do not hold a cup. Sketch me in the box.

Answer: A saw sketched from the side: a long blade with a row of teeth along one edge and a handle at one end.

Reason: Teeth and a handle together point to a saw. A comb has teeth but usually no handle of this kind. The sketch shows the teeth clearly and keeps the handle attached.

Check: Score the four rubric criteria. A sketch with visible teeth, a handle, and full box fit scores at least 6 and passes.

Task 2

Clue: I have a round face and two hands, but no arms. Sketch me in the box.

Answer: A clock sketched face-on: a circle with two hands meeting near the center and no arms.

Reason: A round face and two hands without arms point to a clock. A watch is possible but usually has a strap; the clock is the simpler fit. The hands are drawn as two lines from the center.

Check: Check that the sketch is a circle with two hand lines and no arm shapes. Score each criterion; a total of 5 or more passes.

Task 3

Clue: I have a spine but no bones, and pages but no wings. Sketch me in the box.

Answer: A book sketched from the front: a rectangle with a vertical spine line on one side and a few page lines along the opposite edge.

Reason: A spine and pages point to a book. Wings are ruled out by the clue. The spine line and page lines make the object recognizable without extra detail.

Check: Confirm the sketch shows a spine line and page lines inside the box. Apply the rubric; 5 or more passes.

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Original tasks 4 / complete keys

Task 4

Clue: I have a bowl and a stem, and I hold water but do not drink. Sketch me in the box.

Answer: A spoon sketched from above: an oval bowl at one end and a narrow stem extending to the other end.

Reason: A bowl and a stem together point to a spoon. A cup has a bowl but usually no stem of this kind. The sketch shows the oval bowl and the stem clearly.

Check: Check for an oval bowl and a narrow stem, fully inside the box. Score the rubric; a total of 5 or more passes.

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Source rubric / reflection

- [ ] Recognizability: 0 = not nameable, 1 = nameable with effort, 2 = easily named.
- [ ] Clue fit: 0 = missing key feature, 1 = some features shown, 2 = all clue features shown.
- [ ] Box fit: 0 = spills outside, 1 = touches edges heavily, 2 = fully inside.
- [ ] Clarity: 0 = ambiguous lines, 1 = mostly clear, 2 = clear outline.
- [ ] Pass mark: total of 5 or more out of 8. Valid alternative orientations and simplified shapes are accepted.

Reflection: What did you check, what did you change, and what will you try next?