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Prompt: Draw a medium bush on a 15 cm by 20 cm page using the skeleton-and-clump method. Plan a height of 10 cm and a widest spread of about 7 cm. Use three main branches, five foliage clumps, and three shading tones.

Answer: Lightly draw a ground line and a 2 cm trunk base. Add three main branches that fork into six smaller stems, marking six tips. Place five clumps: two large central clumps, two medium side clumps, and one small top clump. Let side clumps overlap the central ones. Stop branch lines inside the clumps. Shade each clump with light on the upper left, middle on the right, and dark under overlaps and near the trunk. Refine the silhouette with small notches. Check that the widest spread is about 7 cm and that dark tone covers less than one-third of the bush area.