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Prompt: Draw a standing croquis on an 18 cm figure height using a nine-head guide. Mark the chin, bust, waist, hip, knee, and ankle levels, then place shoulder, elbow, wrist, hip, knee, and ankle landmarks.

Answer: Divide 18 cm by nine to get 2 cm per head unit. Mark nine equal units along a center line. Place the chin at the end of unit 1, bust near unit 2, waist near unit 3, hip near unit 4, knee near unit 6, and ankle near unit 8. Place shoulders about one unit apart at the bust guide, elbows near the waist guide, wrists near the hip guide, hips about one and a half units apart at the hip guide, knees at the knee guide, and ankles at the ankle guide. Draw tapered lines between landmarks and keep guides light until the outline is consistent.