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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

Draw a gibbous moon with three craters, using a fixed light direction from the left. Shade the disc with tonal steps 1 to 3 and deepen craters near the shadowed right edge to step 4.

Answer: A gibbous disc with most of the face lit from the left, a soft terminator near the right edge, three craters whose shadows point right, and the rightmost crater deepened to step 4. Each label sits in the same position beside the disc and uses the same wording as the other phase discs.