# Hand Gesture Drawing: Poses, Motion Lines, and Timed Practice

Original tasks 1, 2, 3 / complete keys

Task 1

Draw a pointing gesture with a straight motion line. Use the palm block convention and state the direction of the motion line.

Answer: A palm block with one extended finger aligned with the forearm, other fingers folded, and a straight arrow from the extended fingertip pointing forward. The motion line direction is forward, away from the wrist.

Reason: The pointing gesture needs one clear extended finger and a motion line that follows the fingertip direction. Folding the other fingers keeps the pose readable.

Check: Confirm the extended finger reaches the fingertip reach, the arrow starts at the fingertip and does not cross the palm block, and the arrow direction matches the stated direction.

Task 2

Draw an open palm gesture with a short push arrow from the palm center. State the arrow length relative to the hand width.

Answer: A palm block with all fingers extended and slightly separated, thumb angled outward, and a straight arrow from the palm center pointing away from the wrist. The arrow is about half the hand width.

Reason: An open palm reads best when fingers are separated and the thumb is distinct. A short push arrow shows direction without hiding the palm.

Check: Check that all fingers reach the fingertip reach, the thumb is angled outward, and the arrow length is roughly half the hand width and outside the silhouette.

Task 3

Draw a pinch gesture with a small circular motion line at the contact point. Describe where the thumb tip and fingertip meet.

Answer: A palm block with the thumb tip and index fingertip touching at a contact point above the palm, other fingers curled loosely, and a small circular arrow around the contact point. The contact point is near the knuckle midline.

Reason: The pinch gesture depends on a clear contact point. A small circular arrow suggests closing motion without obscuring the fingers.

Check: Confirm the thumb tip and index fingertip meet at one point, the circular arrow is small and centered on that point, and the other fingers are curled but visible.

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Task 4

Draw a waving gesture with a curved motion line. Label the wrist point, knuckle midline, and fingertip reach, and state the arc direction.

Answer: A palm block tilted to one side with fingers slightly spread, thumb angled outward, and a curved arrow outside the silhouette following the wrist arc. The arc direction is upward and to the side of the tilt. Labels mark the wrist point at the bottom, the knuckle midline across the top third, and the fingertip reach at the highest fingertip.

Reason: The waving gesture uses wrist tilt and a curved motion line. Labeling the three landmarks keeps the pose checkable.

Check: Check that the curved arrow follows the wrist tilt, does not cross the palm block, and that the three labels form a clear triangle with the wrist point below the knuckle midline and the fingertip reach above it.

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Source rubric / reflection

- [ ] Palm block is present and roughly two units wide by three units tall.
- [ ] Wrist point, knuckle midline, and fingertip reach are marked or clearly implied.
- [ ] Fingers taper from base to tip and match the chosen gesture type.
- [ ] Motion line is outside the silhouette and points in a clear direction.
- [ ] Gesture type is identifiable without labels.
- [ ] Valid stylistic variation is accepted if landmarks and motion direction remain clear.

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