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Prompt: On a 20 cm tall paper, place the horizon at 10 cm. Draw two dune ridges below it and one cactus in the lower third. Describe the order and overlaps.

Answer: Draw the horizon at 10 cm. Sketch a far ridge curving from 11 cm to 13 cm. Sketch a nearer ridge from 14 cm to 16 cm that crosses the far ridge; stop the far ridge at the crossing. Place the cactus stem from 16 cm to 19 cm, overlapping the nearer ridge. Darken the cactus outline most, the nearer ridge next, and keep the far ridge light.