Anime Dress Drawing: Exaggerated Skirt, Collar, and Fold Lines

Original tasks 1, 2, 3 / complete keys

Task 1

Draw a dress with shoulder width 5 cm and hem width 12 cm. Add a rounded collar and three fold lines per side. Describe your steps and measurements.

Answer: Center line 14 cm. Shoulder line at top, waist 4 cm down, hem at bottom. Bodice tapers from 5 cm to 3.5 cm. Skirt flares from 3.5 cm to 12 cm. Rounded collar: two curved lobes from neckline, each 1.5 cm from center line. Three fold lines per side from waist to hem, no crossing.

Reason: Hem width 12 cm is more than twice waist width 3.5 cm, so flare is exaggerated. Rounded collar is symmetric. Three fold lines per side is within the lesson's 3-5 range.

Check: Measure hem width and waist width; confirm hem width is at least twice waist width. Measure collar lobes from center line; confirm equal. Check fold lines do not cross.

Task 2

Draw a dress with waist width 4 cm and hem width 7 cm. Is the flare exaggerated enough? Adjust if needed and explain.

Answer: Original hem width 7 cm is less than twice waist width 4 cm (8 cm). Increase hem width to at least 8 cm, for example 9 cm. Redraw skirt side lines flaring to 9 cm. Keep collar and fold lines symmetric.

Reason: Exaggerated flare requires hem width at least twice waist width. 7 cm is not enough, so adjust to 9 cm.

Check: Measure waist width and hem width; confirm hem width is at least twice waist width after adjustment.

Task 3

Draw a dress with a sailor collar and four fold lines per side. Use hypothetical shoulder width 6 cm and hem width 13 cm. Describe collar shape and fold-line placement.

Answer: Center line 15 cm. Shoulder 6 cm, waist 4 cm, hem 13 cm. Sailor collar: wide rounded flap across back neckline and two front points meeting at center. Four fold lines per side start at waist at center front, quarter-side, mid-side, and side; curve to hem without crossing.

Reason: Sailor collar is a valid alternative collar style. Four fold lines per side is within 3-5 range. Hem width 13 cm is more than twice waist width 4 cm.

Check: Check collar symmetry by measuring from center line to each front point. Check fold lines start at distinct waist points and end at hem without crossing.

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Task 4

Draw a straight skirt and a flared skirt side by side using the same waist width of 4 cm. Make the flared hem 12 cm and the straight hem 5 cm. Label the hem widths and explain the difference.

Answer: Draw two waist lines 4 cm wide. Left: straight side lines down to 5 cm hem. Right: curved side lines flaring to 12 cm hem. Label 5 cm and 12 cm. The flared skirt has hem width three times the waist width, while the straight skirt has hem width only slightly larger than waist.

Reason: This comparison shows how flare changes silhouette. The flared skirt meets the exaggerated ratio (hem at least twice waist width); the straight skirt does not.

Check: Measure waist widths (both 4 cm) and hem widths (5 cm and 12 cm). Confirm flared hem is at least twice waist width and straight hem is close to waist width.

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Source rubric / reflection

- [ ] Skirt flare is exaggerated: hem width is at least twice waist width.
- [ ] Skirt side lines are smooth and symmetric around the center line.
- [ ] Collar is clearly drawn, symmetric, and attached to the neckline.
- [ ] Fold lines are placed at labeled positions and do not cross.
- [ ] Overall dress reads as anime-style with clear silhouette, collar, and fold lines.
- [ ] Valid alternatives: different collar styles, different fold-line counts within 3-5 per side, and different hypothetical measurements are acceptable if symmetry and flare ratio are maintained.

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