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Worked example / complete source key

Draw a butler standing with a tray in the right hand. Use a balance line, the fixed uniform layer order, and the flat palm convention. The figure should be eight head-heights tall with a three-centimeter head unit.

Answer: The finished drawing shows a vertical balance line from crown to floor. The chest is offset forward by one head-width. The uniform is built in order: shirt collar, waistcoat, jacket, trousers, shoes, then gloves and tie. The right forearm is horizontal, the palm is a rounded rectangle with a thumb oval and four parallel finger strips, and the tray ellipse rests on the palm and fingers with two evenly spaced glass circles. The free hand is a mitten shape at the side. Total height measures twenty-four centimeters, matching eight times the three-centimeter head unit.