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Original worked example / unchanged complete key

Prompt: Draw a peacock with a body oval 6 cm long, a head circle 2 cm wide, and a fan opening 90 degrees to the right. Layer three feather steps and shade the fan darkest at the rim.

Answer: Construction: tilted oval 6 cm, head circle 2 cm above and forward, curved neck, triangular beak, eye one-third from beak side. Fan center at back with two guides 90 degrees apart. Layer one: large teardrops along rim. Layer two: medium feathers inside, overlapping one-third. Layer three: small inner feathers near center. Body feathers in curved rows. Shading: five-value strip; fan rim darkest, middle medium, center lightest; body underside medium, top light; thin light edge along contour. Final outline darkened only at background edge; overlap lines strengthened; construction erased.