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Topic reference / ordinary illustration



Ordinary topic reference. Hypothetical dimensions in the four tasks are supplied in their own text; this illustration is not their measured answer.

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Worked example / complete source key

On a 15 cm by 20 cm sheet with a 1 cm border, place a horizon 6 cm from the top, draw a shoreline entering the left border 10 cm from the top and exiting the right border 12 cm from the top with a middle point offset 1 cm, add two wave bands, and place three grass clumps on the sand side. Describe the checks.

Answer: Horizon height is 6 cm at both ends, so it is level within 2 mm. Shoreline entry is 10 cm and exit is 12 cm from the top; the middle point sits 1 cm off the straight line, so the curve is visible. Wave bands are spaced wider near the horizon and narrower near the shore. Three grass clumps sit on the sand side, each about one-third of the shoreline-to-horizon distance tall. Sand shows light and medium tones; water shows light and medium tones.