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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

Draw a seated right-handed guitarist with the guitar body on the right thigh, neck angled up 15 degrees, fretting hand behind the neck, and strumming hand near the soundhole. Use a figure height of 18 cm and a guitar body length of 6 cm (hypothetical).

Answer: The drawing shows a seated figure with a tilted ribcage oval and a hip line. The guitar body oval sits on the right thigh, its waist near the hip crease. The neck rectangle extends left and up at about 15 degrees, roughly 9 cm long (hypothetical). The left forearm reaches to the neck, with a rounded palm behind it and four curved finger lines over the fretboard, each fingertip just behind a fret line. The right forearm rests on the upper bout, and the right hand is relaxed near the soundhole, leaving half of it visible. The head tilts slightly toward the neck, and the shoulders are relaxed. A proportion check confirms the guitar body is about one-third of the figure height.