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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 donut seen from a slight angle with light from the upper left. Show the torus form, a glaze band with one main highlight, and a cast shadow.

Answer: Start with a light oval for the outer edge and a smaller oval shifted up for the hole. Connect them with curved lines to show thickness. Shade the underside and inner hole edge with medium tone, leaving the top lighter. Draw a wavy glaze boundary over the top and sides, leaving the glaze slightly lighter. Place a soft highlight on the upper left curve and a smaller one near the hole. Add a soft shadow under the donut to the lower right. Check that the hole has depth and highlights follow the light.