Basset Hound Head Drawing: Drooping Ears and Wrinkled Face

Original tasks 1, 2, 3 / complete keys

Task 1

Draw a basset hound head on a 15 cm by 20 cm sheet. Use an oval skull 7 cm wide and 5 cm tall. Attach ears at the midline and make each ear 8 cm long. Add two brow folds and place eyes 1 cm wide, 1 cm apart.

Answer: A head with a broad oval skull, two long ears hanging below the jaw, two curved brow folds, and level eyes spaced 1 cm apart.

Reason: The oval is wider than tall, ears attach at the midline and extend below the jaw, folds are curved, and eyes are level and evenly spaced.

Check: Measure the oval width and height, ear length, and eye spacing with a ruler; confirm ears hang below the jaw and eyes are level.

Task 2

Draw a basset hound head with a 10 cm wide by 8 cm tall oval skull. Make the left ear 12 cm long and the right ear 11 cm long. Add three brow folds and one muzzle fold. Place eyes 1.5 cm wide, 1.5 cm apart.

Answer: A head with a wide oval skull, two long ears of slightly different lengths, three brow folds, one muzzle fold, and level eyes.

Reason: Slightly different ear lengths are acceptable if both hang below the jaw; folds are curved and varied; eyes are level and spaced correctly.

Check: Compare ear lengths and confirm both hang below the jaw; check fold curvature and eye level with a ruler.

Task 3

Draw a basset hound head on a 20 cm by 25 cm sheet with a 9 cm wide by 7 cm tall oval skull. Attach ears at the midline and make them 10 cm long. Add four brow folds and two muzzle folds. Place eyes 1.5 cm wide, 1.5 cm apart. Erase all guide lines.

Answer: A refined head with a broad oval skull, long drooping ears, four brow folds, two muzzle folds, level eyes, and no visible guide lines.

Reason: The drawing meets the proportions, ear placement, fold count, and eye spacing; guide lines are erased for a clean finish.

Check: Measure oval, ear length, and eye spacing; count folds; confirm guide lines are erased and ears hang below the jaw.

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Task 4

Draw a basset hound head with a 8 cm wide by 6 cm tall oval skull. Make ears 9 cm long attached at the midline. Add two brow folds and place eyes 1.2 cm wide, 1.2 cm apart. Then redraw the same head in a blank practice box without guide lines.

Answer: Two head drawings: one with guide lines and one independent redraw, both showing a broad oval skull, long drooping ears, curved brow folds, and level eyes.

Reason: The independent redraw tests whether the learner can reproduce the breed-specific proportions and features without guides.

Check: Compare both drawings for oval width, ear length below the jaw, fold curvature, and eye level; measure key distances with a ruler.

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Source rubric / reflection

- [ ] Skull oval is wider than tall and symmetrical.
- [ ] Ears attach near the horizontal midline and hang below the jaw.
- [ ] Brow and muzzle folds are curved, varied, and placed above the eyes.
- [ ] Eyes are level, spaced about one eye-width apart, and have soft lids.
- [ ] Final contours are clear and guide lines are erased.
- [ ] Valid alternatives: ear length and fold count may vary if the drooping and wrinkled character remains clear.

Reflection: What did you check, what did you change, and what will you try next?