Cartoon Kitty Drawing: Ears, Whiskers, and Tail Shapes

Original tasks 1, 2, 3 / complete keys

Task 1

Draw a cartoon kitty with tall triangle ears, four whiskers per side, and a tail that sweeps low to the right. Use a head circle and body oval. Keep eyes about one x-height apart.

Answer: A cartoon kitty with two tall triangle ears on top of the head, four whiskers on each side of the muzzle, and a tail attached at the back of the body sweeping low to the right in a smooth curve. Eyes are on the horizontal midline about one x-height apart.

Reason: The prompt fixes ear style, whisker count, and tail direction. The construction uses a head circle and body oval, with eyes placed on the midline for balance.

Check: Check that both ears are tall triangles, each side has four whiskers, and the tail attaches at the back and sweeps low to the right. Measure eye spacing against one x-height.

Task 2

Draw a cartoon kitty with short wide ears, three whiskers per side, and a gentle S-curve tail. Place the nose below the horizontal midline and the mouth curve under the nose.

Answer: A cartoon kitty with two short wide ears, three whiskers per side, a small nose below the horizontal midline, a mouth curve under the nose, and a tail attached at the back forming a gentle S curve.

Reason: Short wide ears and three whiskers per side are specified. The nose and mouth placement follows the midline guide. The tail is an S curve attached at the back.

Check: Confirm ear shape is short and wide on both sides, whisker count is three per side, nose is below the midline, and the tail forms an S curve from the back of the body.

Task 3

Draw a cartoon kitty with one ear tilted outward and the other upright, five whiskers per side, and a tail that curls upward. Keep whisker lengths similar on both sides.

Answer: A cartoon kitty with one ear tilted outward and one upright, five whiskers on each side of the muzzle with similar lengths, and a tail attached at the back curling upward.

Reason: The prompt allows asymmetric ear tilt but requires five whiskers per side and similar whisker lengths. The tail curls upward from the back of the body.

Check: Check that one ear tilts outward and the other is upright, each side has five whiskers, whisker lengths are similar, and the tail curls upward from the back.

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Original tasks 4 / complete keys

Task 4

Draw a cartoon kitty with rounded ears, three whiskers per side, and a tail that curves to the left. Add a simple mouth curve and check that the eyes are level.

Answer: A cartoon kitty with two rounded ears, three whiskers per side, a simple mouth curve, level eyes on the horizontal midline, and a tail attached at the back curving to the left.

Reason: Rounded ears and three whiskers per side are specified. The mouth curve is simple, and the eyes are checked for level placement. The tail curves left from the back of the body.

Check: Confirm rounded ears on both sides, three whiskers per side, level eyes, a simple mouth curve, and a tail curving left from the back of the body.

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Source rubric / reflection

- [ ] Kitty has a clear head and body built from simple shapes.
- [ ] Ears are present and use a consistent style on both sides.
- [ ] Eyes sit at roughly the same height and are spaced intentionally.
- [ ] Whiskers appear on both sides of the muzzle and do not cover the eyes.
- [ ] Tail is attached at the back of the body and forms a smooth curve.
- [ ] Construction lines are erased or faint, and the final outline is clear.
- [ ] Valid alternatives are accepted: ear style, whisker count from three to five, and tail curve direction may vary.

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