Draw a Haughty Expression: Chin Lift, Lidded Eyes, and Subtle Cues

Original tasks 1, 2, 3 / complete keys

Task 1

Draw a mild haughty face on a blank outline. Use a chin lift of one centimeter on an eight-centimeter face, eyelids covering half the iris, inner brow lowered slightly, and mouth corners curled up by two millimeters. Label the four cues.

Answer: A face with a small chin lift, half-lidded eyes, slight inner brow lowering, and a small mouth curl, with four labels outside the outline.

Reason: The cues are proportional and restrained, so the expression reads as haughty without exaggeration.

Check: Use the five-item checklist: chin lifted, eyes half-lidded, inner brow lowered, mouth curled, expression restrained. Count yes items; four or more with no exaggeration passes.

Task 2

Draw a moderate haughty face on a blank outline. Use a chin lift of two centimeters on a ten-centimeter face, eyelids covering half the iris, inner brow lowered, outer brow level, and mouth corners curled up by three millimeters. Then write one sentence explaining how the brow and mouth keep the expression from looking sleepy.

Answer: A face with a clear chin lift, half-lidded eyes, lowered inner brow, level outer brow, and a small mouth curl, plus a sentence noting that the brow and mouth add tension that sleepiness lacks.

Reason: The eyelid droop alone could read as sleepy; the brow and mouth cues restore the haughty quality.

Check: Check the five items and confirm the sentence mentions both brow and mouth. Four or more yes items with no exaggeration passes.

Task 3

Draw a strong haughty face on a blank outline. Use a chin lift of three centimeters on a twelve-centimeter face, eyelids covering half the iris, inner brow lowered more noticeably, and mouth corners curled up by four millimeters. Check that the neck does not stretch unnaturally and adjust if needed.

Answer: A face with a strong but readable chin lift, half-lidded eyes, a noticeable inner brow lowering, and a small mouth curl, with the neck redrawn smoothly.

Reason: Strong cues must stay proportional; the neck check prevents a surprised look.

Check: Use the checklist and inspect the neck line. If the neck stretches, reduce the chin lift by one centimeter and recheck.

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Original tasks 4 / complete keys

Task 4

Draw two haughty faces on blank outlines using valid alternatives: one with a sharper chin lift and subtler mouth curl, and one with a softer chin lift and stronger eyelid droop. Label each and mark the checklist for both.

Answer: Two faces that both pass the checklist through different cue combinations, each labeled and checked.

Reason: The rubric allows valid alternatives when the overall expression remains restrained and readable.

Check: Confirm each face has at least four yes items and no exaggeration. Compare the two to ensure both read as haughty despite different cue strengths.

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Source rubric / reflection

- [ ] Chin is lifted by a visible but restrained amount.
- [ ] Upper eyelids cover about half the iris.
- [ ] Inner brow is lowered slightly while the outer brow stays level.
- [ ] Mouth corners curl up slightly and the lower lip presses forward.
- [ ] Overall expression reads as restrained rather than angry, sleepy, or surprised.
- [ ] Labels and checklist are completed and legible.
- [ ] Valid alternatives are accepted when at least four checklist items are yes and no item is exaggerated.

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