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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

A student draws a small bird with a cone beak, short body feathers, and medium wing coverts. The beak outline is light, feather strokes taper at the base, and all lines look similar. Identify three fixes and state one check.

Answer: Fix one: reverse feather strokes so they taper toward the tip. Fix two: firm the beak outline and add a gape line. Fix three: make a five-mark line-weight sample bar and relabel pressure. Check: trace each feather backward and hold the sample bar at arm's length to confirm five distinct weights.