Draw Creatures in Perspective: Foreshortened Limbs and Body Depth

Original tasks 1, 2 / independent work

Task 1

A creature's left hind leg points toward the viewer. In side view it is 10 cm long. In your drawing it appears 6 cm. The right hind leg extends sideways and appears 10 cm. The near foot is 4 cm wide; the far foot is 3 cm wide. Check foreshortening and near-far size.

Task 2

A creature's head is near the top of the setup box and its tail recedes toward the VP. The body oval is 12 cm long in side view. In the drawing the body appears 9 cm from chest to tail base. The tail guide line goes toward the VP and the tail appears 4 cm long; in side view the tail is 7 cm. Check body depth and tail foreshortening.

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Task 3

A creature has one arm reaching forward toward the viewer and one arm raised sideways. The forward arm is 9 cm in side view and appears 5 cm. The sideways arm is 9 cm and appears 9 cm. The forward hand is 3.5 cm wide; the sideways hand is 3 cm wide. The forward arm overlaps the chest. Check foreshortening, near-far size, and overlap.

Task 4

A creature stands in a setup box with light from the upper left. The far haunch is shaded with parallel lines; the near shoulder is mostly white. The far haunch is 5 cm wide; the near shoulder is 6 cm wide. A cast shadow is drawn under the body. Check shading convention and size change.