Oddish-Style Plant Creature Grid Drawing: Leaf and Body Guides

Original tasks 1, 2 / complete keys

Task 1

On a 10 by 10 grid with columns A to J and rows 1 to 10, the body guide box is B2 to I7. Describe how to draw the bottom curve and two feet in row 2.

Answer: Draw the bottom curve across C2 to H2. Place the left foot as a bump in D2 and E2, and the right foot as a bump in G2 and H2, leaving F2 as the single empty square between the feet. The feet are drawn as bumps on the bottom edge, not as separate squares below the curve.

Reason: The bottom curve spans the middle of the body box. Two short feet at the bottom edge keep the creature stable, and one empty square between them prevents the feet from merging.

Check: Count the squares in row 2. The curve spans C2 to H2, which is six squares: C2, D2, E2, F2, G2, H2. The feet bumps sit on D2, E2, G2, and H2, and F2 is the single empty square between them. Confirm that no foot square lies outside C2 to H2 and that F2 is empty.

Task 2

A leaf guide box is D8 to I11 on a 12 by 12 grid. You want five leaves: one center leaf, two side leaves, and two outer leaves. Describe where each leaf tip should end.

Answer: Center leaf tip in F11 or G11. Left side leaf tip in E10. Right side leaf tip in H10. Left outer leaf tip in D9. Right outer leaf tip in I9.

Reason: The center leaf is tallest and stays near the middle columns. Side leaves are shorter and angle outward, and outer leaves are shortest and sit near the edges of the leaf box.

Check: Check that every tip is inside columns D to I and rows 8 to 11. The tips should form a fan shape, with the center tip highest and the outer tips lowest.

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Original tasks 3, 4 / complete keys

Task 3

Your body guide box is C2 to J7. After drawing, you notice the left side of the body reaches column B in row 4. What is the mistake and how do you fix it?

Answer: The body outline spilled one square outside the body guide box on the left. Erase the segment in B4 and redraw it in C4 so the left side stays inside the box.

Reason: Guide boxes are fences that keep proportions consistent. A spill on one side makes the body look lopsided and can push the face off center.

Check: Trace the left outline from row 7 down to row 2 and confirm every square is in column C or to the right. Repeat for the right outline, which should stay in column J or to the left.

Task 4

On a 12 by 12 grid, the body guide box is C2 to J7 and the leaf guide box is D8 to I11. You want the face centered. Describe where to place two dot eyes and a mouth using square coordinates.

Answer: Place the left eye in E5 and the right eye in H5. Place the mouth across F4 and G4 together, so it is centered between the eyes.

Reason: The body box spans columns C to J, so the center is between F and G. Eyes in E5 and H5 are symmetric around that center, and a mouth in F4 or G4 sits below the eyes.

Check: Count the squares between each eye and the nearest side of the body box. The body box spans columns C to J. The left eye in E5 has C and D to its left, which is two squares. The right eye in H5 has I and J to its right, which is two squares. The mouth spans F4 and G4 together, which is centered between the E and H eye columns.

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- [ ] The body outline stays inside the body guide box and is wider at the bottom than at the top.
- [ ] Two feet appear in the bottom row of the body guide box with at least one empty square between them.
- [ ] The leaf crown has three to five leaves and every leaf tip stays inside the leaf guide box.
- [ ] The face has two dot eyes and a small mouth inside the upper half of the body.
- [ ] The final outline is darker than the guide boxes, and guide lines are erased or left light.
- [ ] Valid alternatives are accepted: leaf count, exact curve shape, and face placement may vary as long as the guide boxes and proportion checks are respected.

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