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Prompt: A text description of a simple fish: body is an oval about 6 cm long and 3 cm high; tail is a triangle attached at the right; one dorsal fin is a curved line on top; one pectoral fin is a short curve on the left side. Draw an observed contour with four edge prompts: body outline, tail edge, dorsal fin edge, pectoral fin edge. Use a hypothetical box 15 cm by 10 cm.

Answer: In the box, draw the oval body outline as one continuous line. Draw the tail triangle as three lines meeting at visible corners, or as one continuous line if the corners are rounded. Draw the dorsal fin as a single curve from the body top. Draw the pectoral fin as a short curve on the left. Leave gaps where fins attach if the attachment edge is hidden. Name each line: body outline, tail edge, dorsal fin edge, pectoral fin edge. Count four named edges. Check that each line matches the described direction and relative length. A valid alternative is drawing the tail as a single curve if the corners are not visible.