

ACTIVITY 2

ANATOMY CHEAT CODES

Part 1: The Face

This is a drawing tutorial on little “cheat codes” to help better understand the Anatomy of the face.

Ages 10+ / Activity Length: 30+ minutes

Materials:

*Paper, pencil, an eraser.
A whiteboard and markers for demonstrating,
or projector.*

Step 1

Start with a circle and divide it in two with a vertical straight line. Allow it to continue a little ways down past the circle.

Step 2

Draw a jaw below the circle to complete the full shape of the head. Dived this face in two with a horizontal guide line.

Step 3

Add three identical circles along this middle guide line and then erase the centre circle.

The eyeballs are spheres. and the distance between your eyes is the same width an eye.

Step 4

Draw one horizontal line above the eyes (1) and a second to mark where the chin rests (3). Draw a third guide line in the middle of the two (2), this marks where the bottom of the nose rests.

Step 5

The nose (nostrils) is the same width as the distance between your two eyes.

Draw in the nose starting with a circle in the centre followed by the nostrils.

The length of your ears is the same distance between the top of your eyeballs (the bottom of your eyebrows) (1) to the base of your nose (2).

Draw in the ears using this information.

Step 6

Divide the vertical line between (2) and (3) with a horizontal line (4). This marks the base of your lips.

Draw in the lips using broad “M”-like shapes, and a broad “U” for the bottom lip.

Step 7

Eyelids wrap around the eyeballs, hiding the majority from them on our face.

draw in the eyelids, using the circles that you’ve drawn as guides

The eyebrows rest just above the eyeballs themselves.

Draw in the eyebrows, using (1) as a guide.

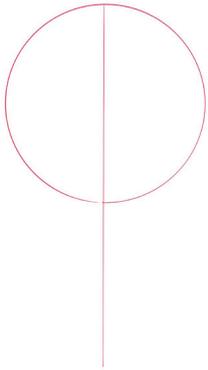
Step 8

Finally, the iris’ rest at the centre of the eyeball but move as the eyeball moves. However, as a tip, to make your character look relaxed, always have the top of the pupil, just touch either the bottom or top eyelid (depending on whether they are looking up or down).

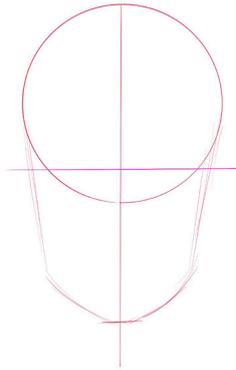
Draw in the iris, pupil and hairline. Erase any guide lines or unnecessary guides you have previously drawn and you have a basic face!

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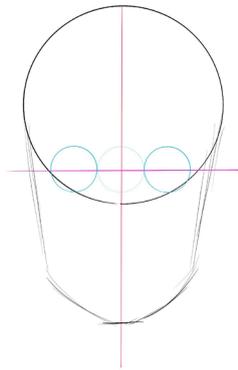
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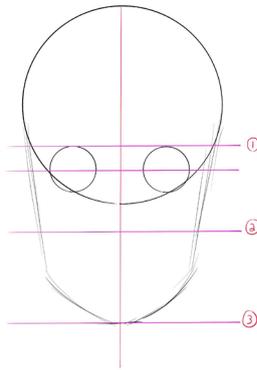
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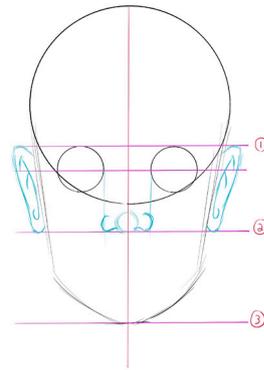
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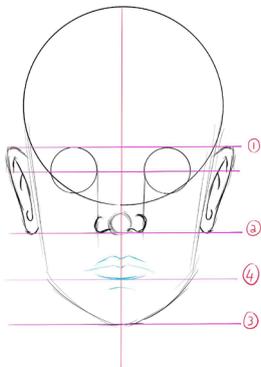
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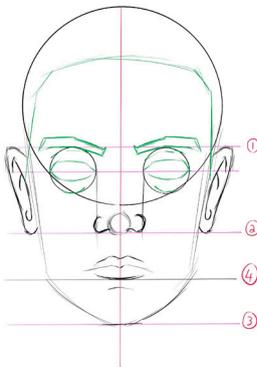
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