

# How to draw a female face

Easy tutorial with step-by-step instructions

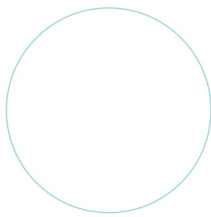
Time needed: 30 min

Materials:

- Pencils
- Paper
- Eraser
- Ruler (optional)

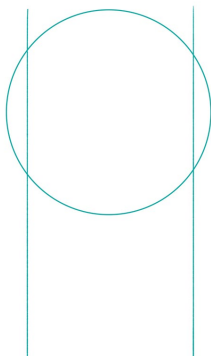
In this tutorial you will learn how to easily draw a basic female face with the right proportions step-by-step.

NOTE: I'm going to show you some basic guidelines, but always keep in mind that everybody's face is laid out differently.



## Step 1

We're going to begin by drawing a circle. Don't worry about being perfect at this point. You can refine everything later.



## Step 2

The next thing you need to do is slice off the sides of the circle.

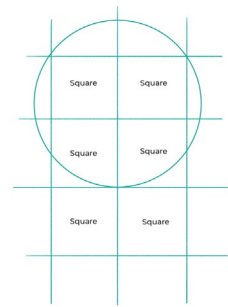
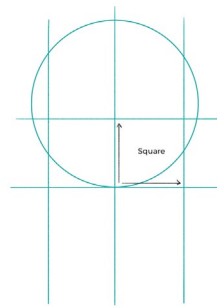
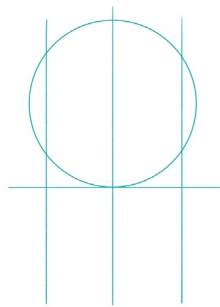
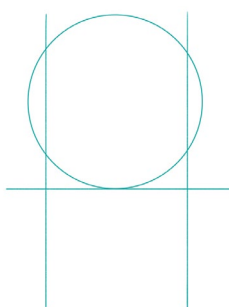
NOTE: Draw everything very lightly with an H or HB pencil, because you have to erase the guidelines later. We don't want any lines dividing up our face on the final portrait.

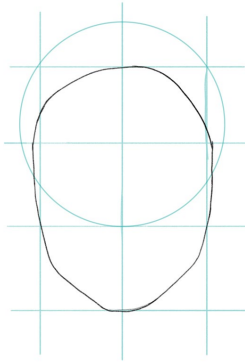
## Step 3

Next, add a horizontal line at the bottom of the circle. Next, I want you to divide the circle in half vertically. Now add another horizontal line above the bottom line. You should place the line so that it creates two equal squares.



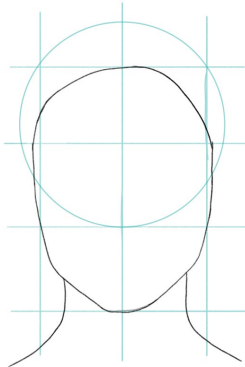
Repeat this one more time on the top and one more time at the bottom to create 6 equal squares. You can measure the distances for every square but you can also draw by eye. The squares don't have to be perfect. Remember, you're just drawing rough guidelines.





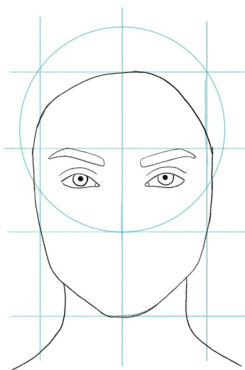
#### Step 4

At this point you can start drawing the contour of the face. The hairline starts at the top horizontal line and the chin starts at the bottom line. Draw the jawline and cheekbones at the sides of the face and use the squares for guidance. Now the outline of the face is done.



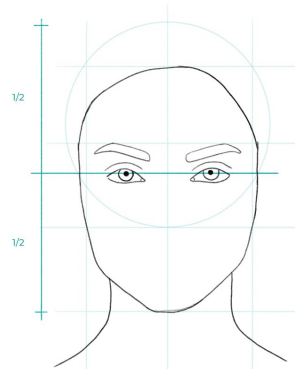
#### Step 5

Next, add two lines from the jawline downwards to give the head a neck.



#### Step 6

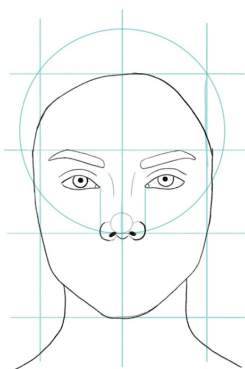
The next step is drawing the facial features. I always start with the eyes and eyebrows.



The eyebrows are placed directly under the second line. Try to place them in the middle of the squares, leaving equal empty spaces on the left and on the right

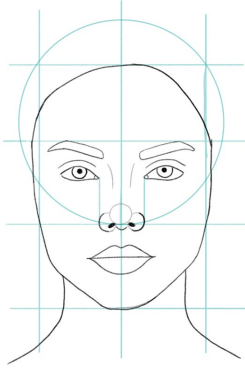
For the eyes you can draw an optional horizontal line which should divide the whole head in half. The pupils of the eyes should be placed on this line.

For the distance between the eyes, try to imagine another eye in the middle.



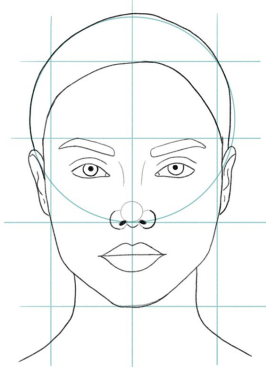
#### Step 7

Next, draw the nose. To find the right position for the nose draw two vertical lines from the inner corners of the eyes down to the circle. This marks where the sides of the nose will end. Draw a small circle in the middle for the tip of the nose and then draw two more small circles on each side for the nostrils. You can also draw two lines reaching from the eyebrows to the nose to mark the nasal bridge.



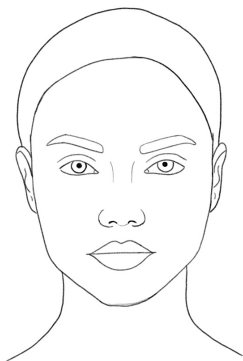
### Step 8

Draw the mouth in the next step. The mouth should be a little wider than the nose and the line between the lips should be relatively straight.



### Step 9

Now we're almost done! In the next step, draw in the ears and the top of the head. The ears are positioned right in the middle of the squares. And for the top of the head you just have to trace the circle. Depending on the hairstyle you're choosing, this line can vary.



### Step 10

That's it! You're done with the face. Now carefully erase all guidelines.

Here's also a shaded version of this generic face - feel free to complete your portrait sketch using this as a guide for shading.

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