

# How to Draw Anime

In cartooning, characters are measured in "heads tall." There are three major styles of drawing anime, which are largely recognized by how many heads tall the characters are.

A character in **High Style** is 8 or more heads tall, and is most commonly an adult character. High Style is used mostly in Anime Movies, and its hard for these characters to look cute. This guy on the right is drawn in High Style.

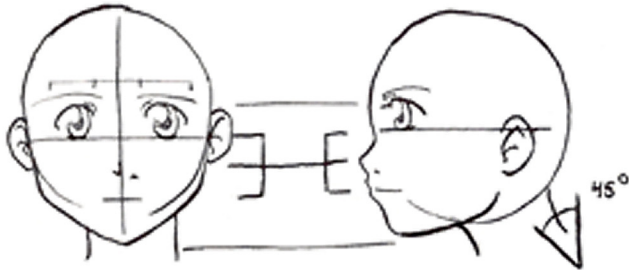


**Middle Style** characters are 5 - 7 heads tall. Most of the Anime characters that you see on tv (kids and teens) are drawn in Middle Style. This style is suitable for any genre

**Low Style** also known as 'Chibi' is 1 - 4 heads tall. These characters are great for mascots and logos but not so good for action or horror.



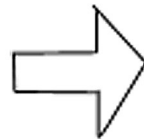
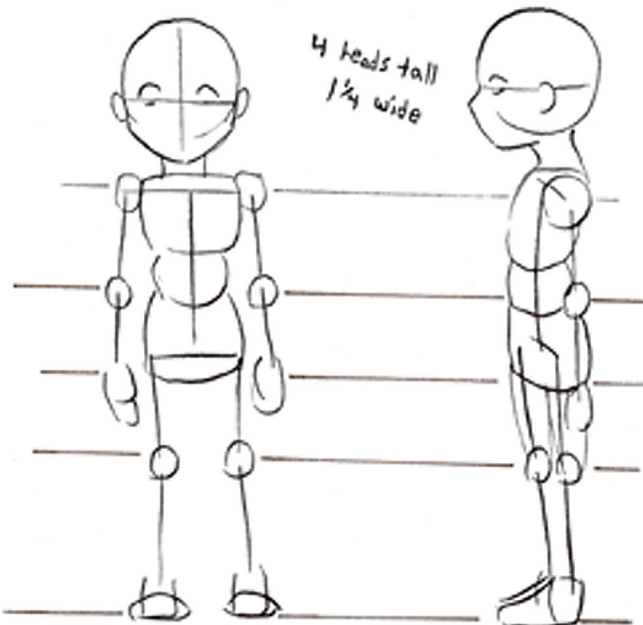
## Drawing the Face



When drawing the side view, everything should be at the same height as the front view with the ear behind the jaw bone. The neck should go back at 45 degrees.

- Start by drawing a circle, and then a jaw. Draw a horizontal line across the middle of the face and a vertical one down the center.
- The eyes can be placed at any height on the head but there should be one eye's space between the two.
- The nose goes halfway between the bottom of the eyes and the chin.
- mouth goes half way between the nose and chin
- the ears should fit between top of eyes and bottom of nose

## The illustration skeleton



Check to make sure that the elbows are at the bottom of the rib cage,

And that the hands fit between the pelvis and knees.

If you still have questions that I didn't answer during the workshop, please email me at [Shaunart@hotmail.com](mailto:Shaunart@hotmail.com) or visit my website at <http://shaunart.net>