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**Graphic Communication**

WEDNESDAY, 30 APRIL

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Attempt ALL questions.

**You may use a calculator.**

All dimensions are in mm.

All technical sketches and drawings use third angle projection.

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For questions 1 (a) to (f), refer to the **supplementary sheets** provided.

A series of double-page spreads have been created to promote a dog rescue centre.

1. (a) Describe, giving **two** examples, how the graphic designer has used transparency to enhance the layouts.

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- (b) Describe, giving **two** examples, how the graphic designer has created rhythm to enhance the layouts.

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- (c) Describe, giving **two** examples, how the graphic designer's use of grid structure has enhanced the layouts.

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1. (continued)

- (d) Explain, giving **one** example, why the graphic designer's use of proportion has enhanced the layouts.

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- (e) Explain, giving **one** example, why the graphic designer's use of emphasis has enhanced the layouts.

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- (f) Describe, giving **two** examples, how the graphic designer's use of unity has enhanced the layouts.

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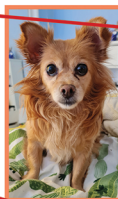
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**"Cassi and Poppy were living on the streets. Now they are in a loving home."**



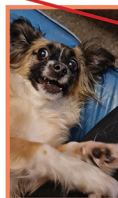
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(g) State the name of the DTP terms and techniques labelled on the image above.

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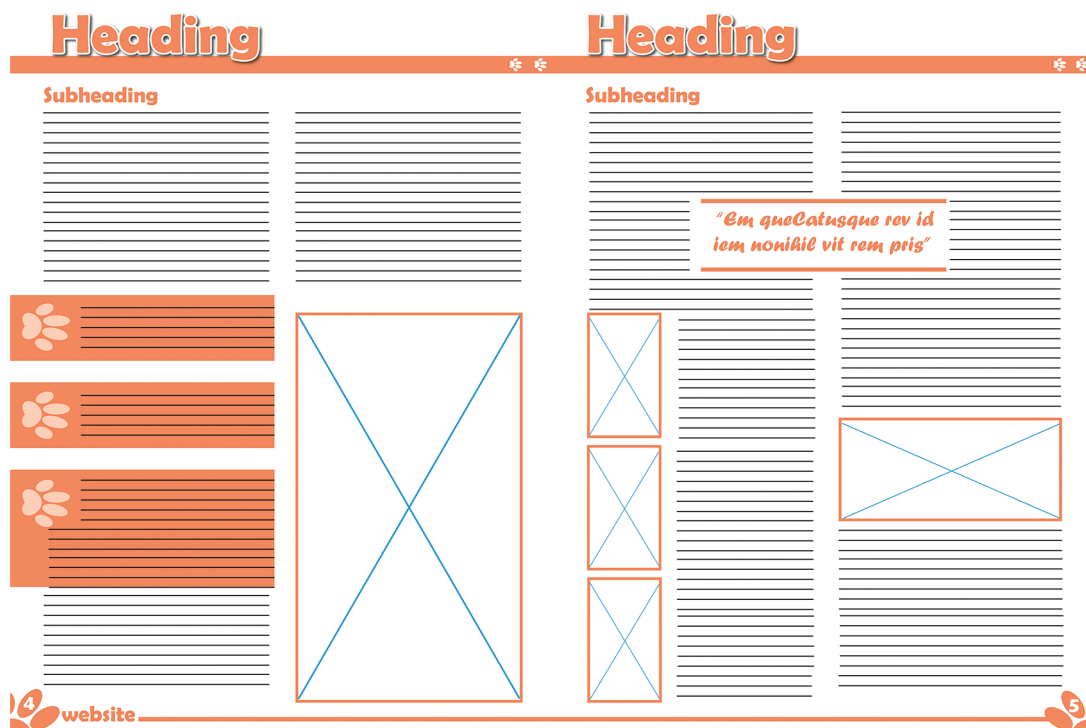


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Digital thumbnails were created before the graphic designer started to work on the final layout.



- (h) Describe, giving **two** reasons, the benefits of creating digital thumbnails to the graphic designer.

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2. A design company created the log cabin holiday park graphics shown below. These graphics were submitted during the planning process.



Figure 1

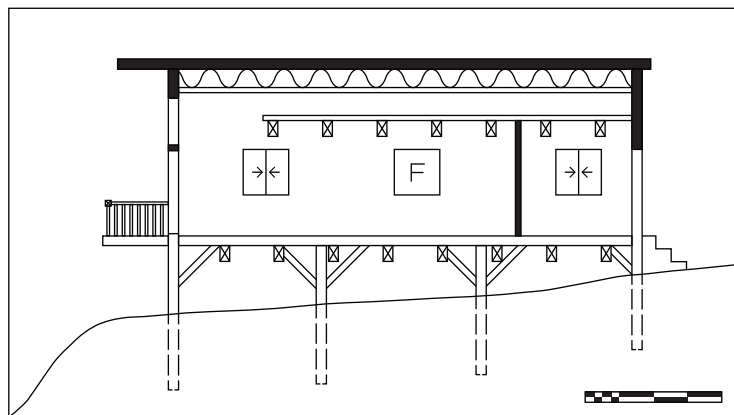


Figure 2

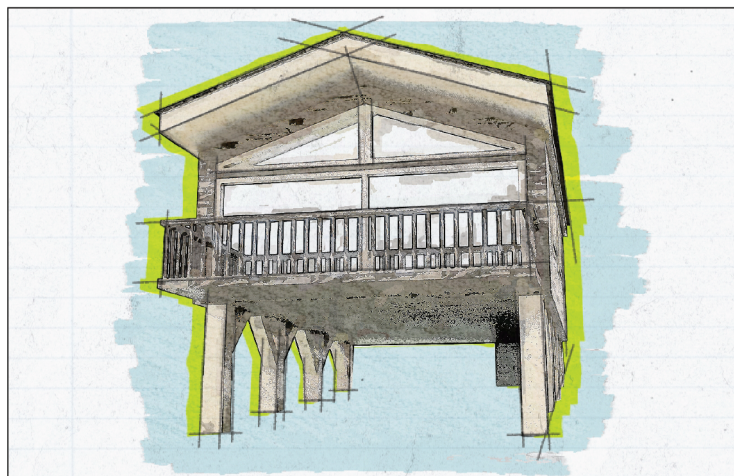


Figure 3



2. (continued)

- (a) Describe, with reference to preliminary, production and promotional graphics, the purpose of **Figures 1, 2 and 3**.

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The designer produced the 3D CAD illustration shown in **Figure 1** using a sited environment.

- (b) Describe, giving **two** reasons, the purpose of a sited environment.

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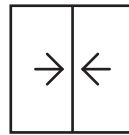
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2. (continued)

A range of British Standard symbols are used in building and construction drawings. One of the symbols is shown below.



symbol A

(c) State the name of symbol A.

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An early draft of the 3D CAD illustration is shown below in **Graphics 1 and 2**.



Graphic 1



Graphic 2

(d) Describe **two** illustration/3D rendering techniques applied to produce the realistic looking graphic shown in **Graphic 2**.

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2. (continued)



The company logo was exported in both a vector and raster graphic format.

(e) Describe **two** advantages of using a vector format for the logo.

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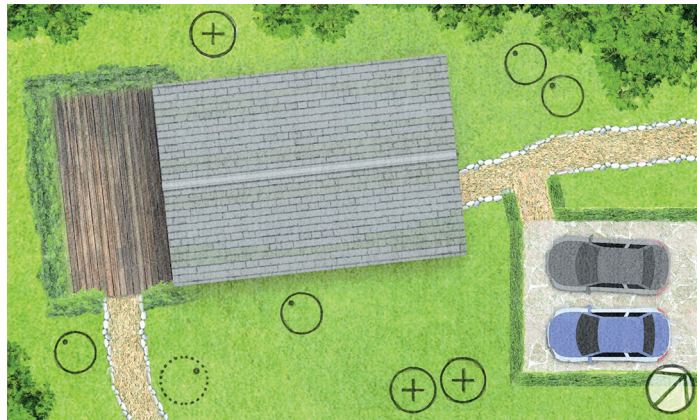


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To improve the environmental impact of the holiday park several trees were added.



(f) State the number of trees to be added around the log cabin.

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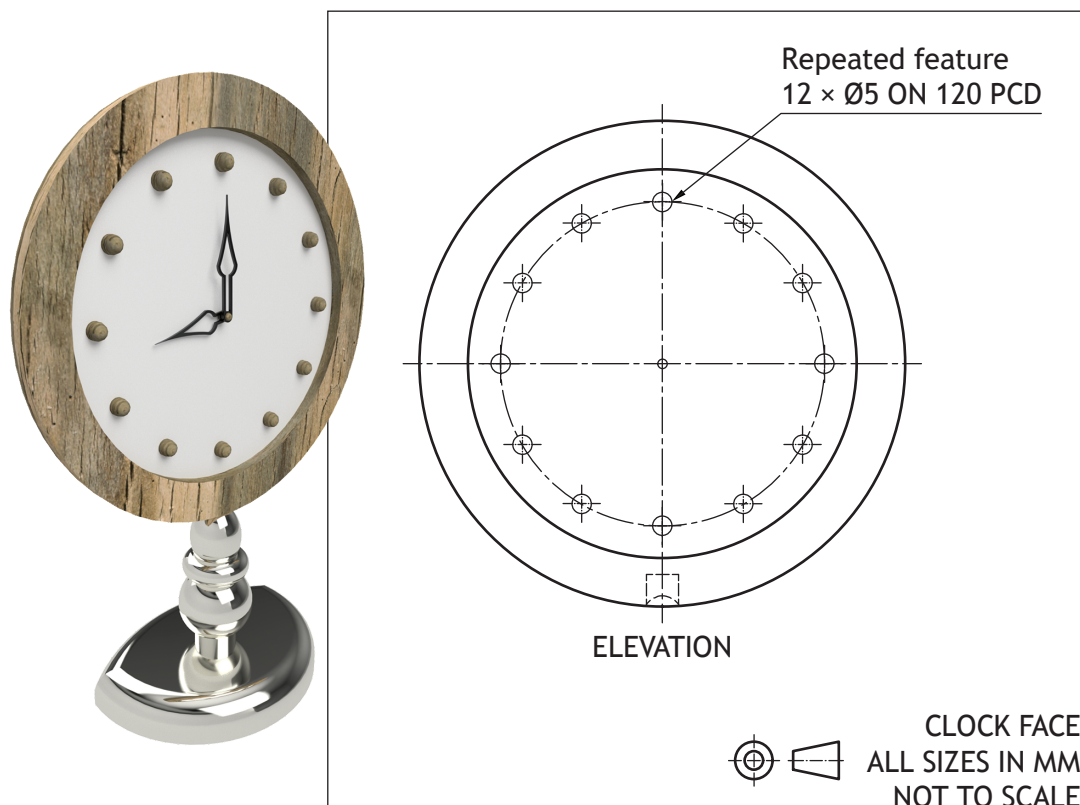
Site Plans can be shown at a scale of 1:250 or 1:500.

(g) Describe **two** factors that influence the choice of scale in this type of drawing.

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3. A clock has been 3D modelled using CAD software.



- (a) State the command used to produce the repeated feature shown in the elevation.

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- (b) State what PCD stands for in the drawing above.

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Bottom-up modelling was used to create the components of the clock.

- (c) Describe the process of bottom-up modelling.

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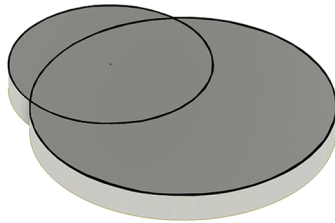


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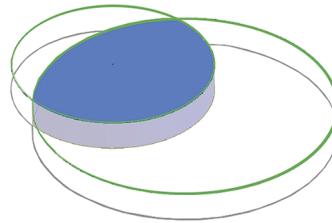


3. (continued)

The clock base component was created using 3D CAD modelling software.  
The initial steps in the modelling process are shown below.



Step 1



Step 2



Step 3

- (d) State the name of the modelling edit used between Step 1 and Step 2.

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- (e) Describe, giving **two** examples, the benefits of using 3D CAD models in manufacturing.

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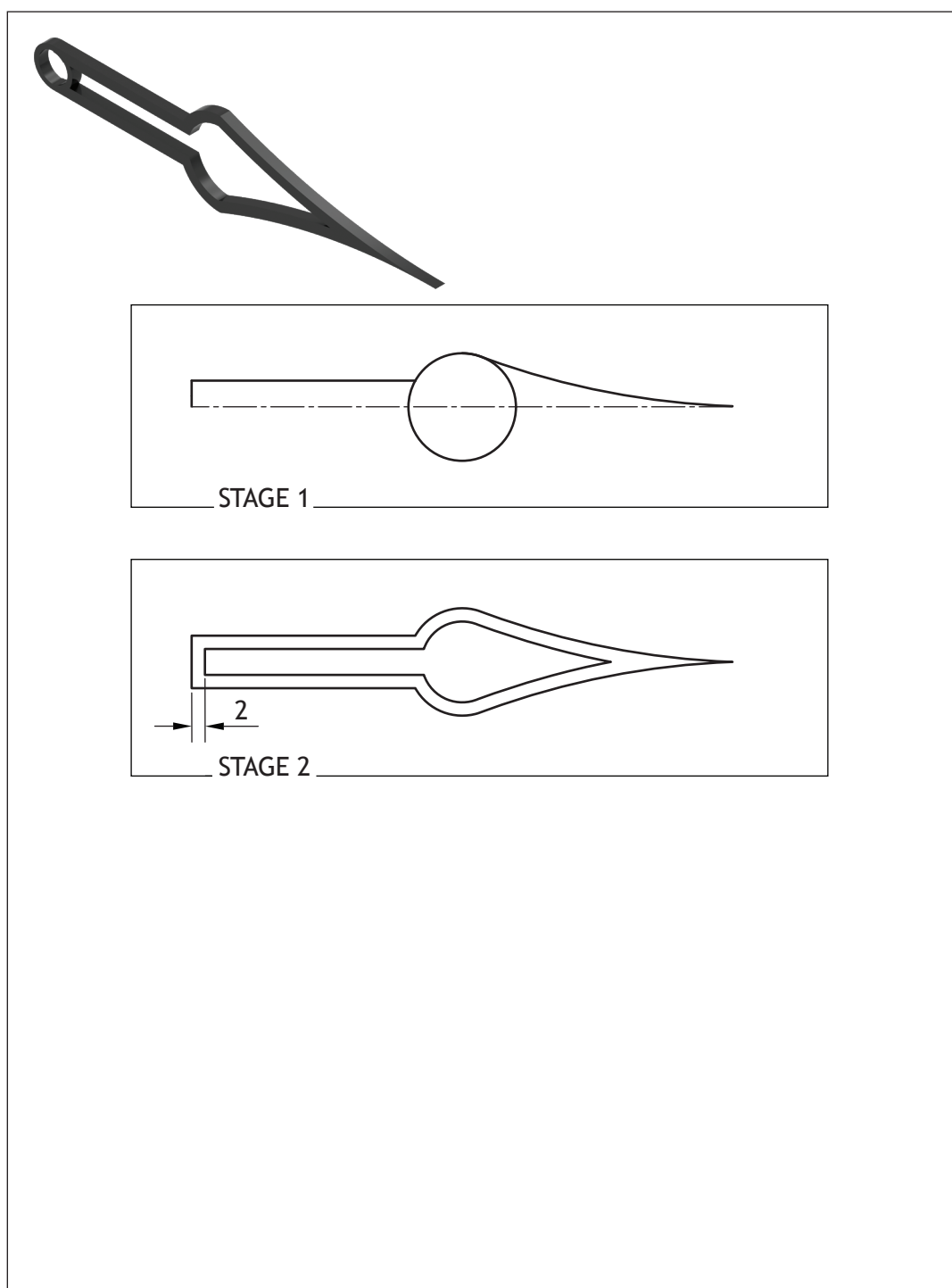
Two stages of the clock hand modelling process are shown below.

(f) Describe the 2D CAD techniques used to arrive from **Stage 1** to **Stage 2**.

You may use sketches to illustrate your answer.

You may annotate the graphics below.

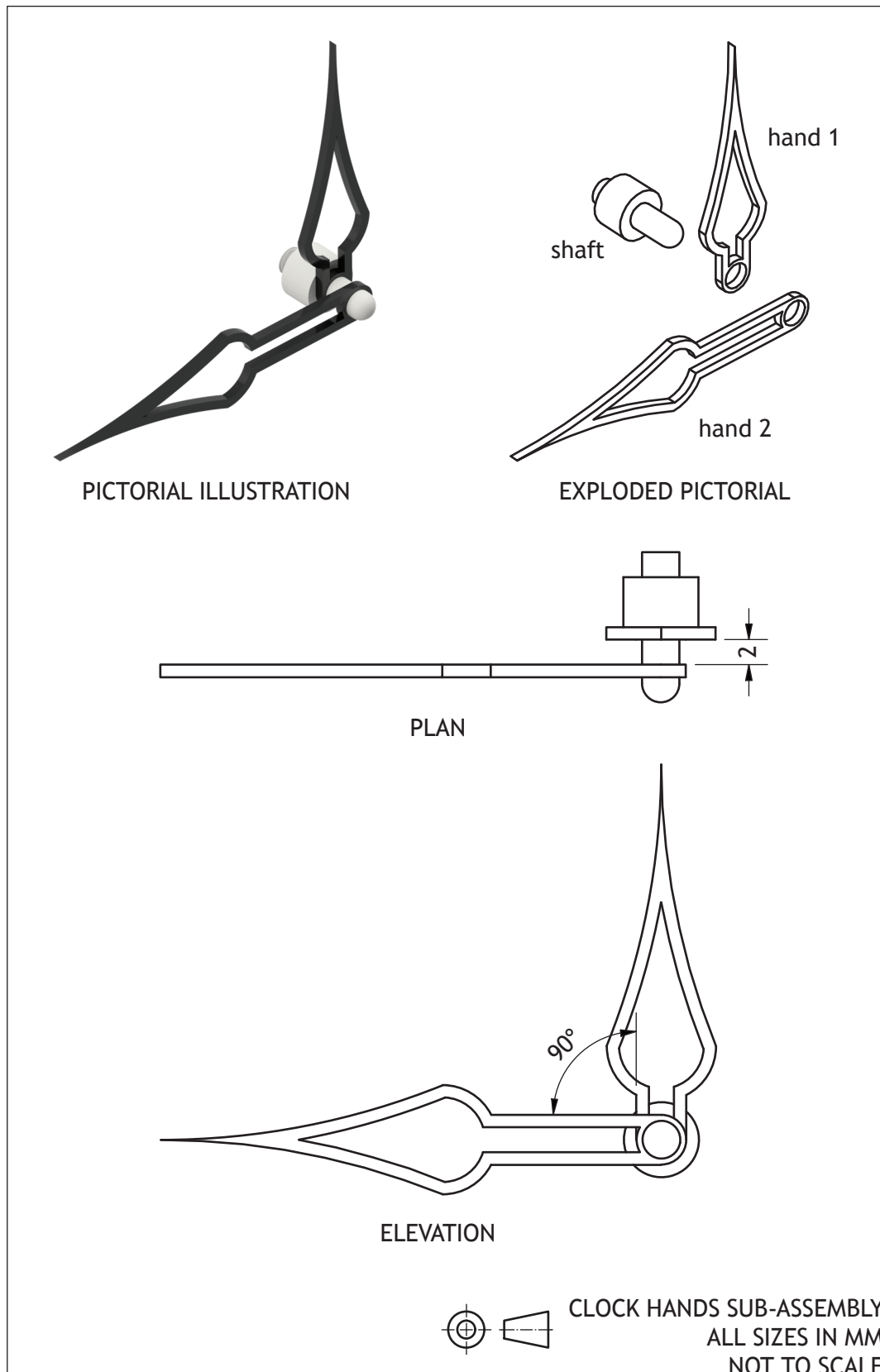
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3. (continued)

A concept design for the clock hands sub-assembly is produced. The two hands shown have been constrained to the shaft using 3D CAD modelling software.

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3. (continued)

- (g) Describe the steps required to constrain the hands and the shaft to each other.  
You may annotate **Figure 1** to help with your answer.

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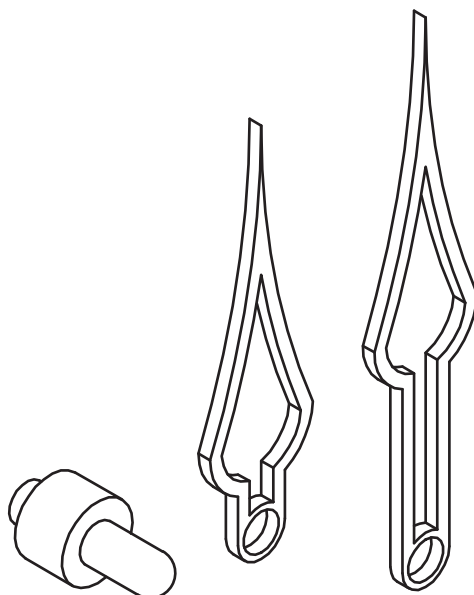
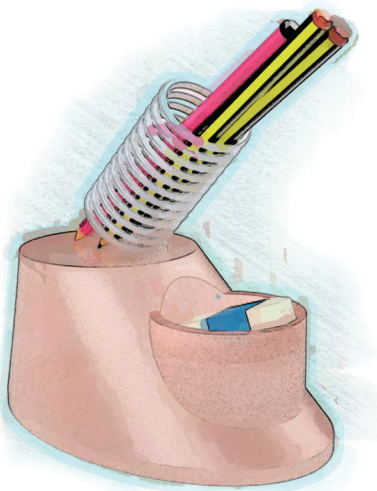


Figure 1

4. A concept for a stationery holder was generated using digital sketching.



- (a) Describe **two** advantages of using digital sketching to produce graphic items.

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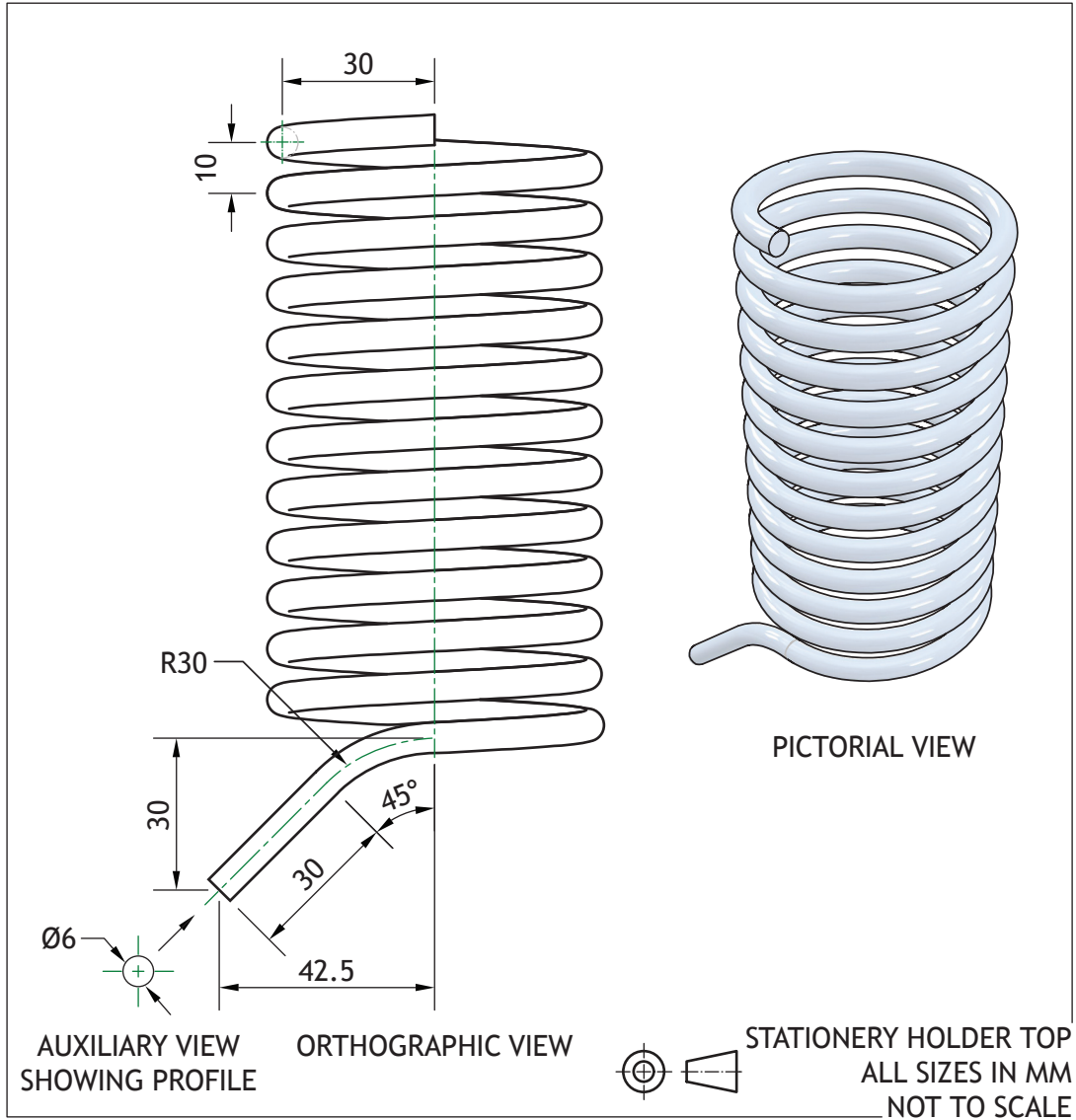
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## 4. (continued)

A CAD technician created 3D CAD components for the stationery holder. The drawing for the stationery holder top component is shown below.



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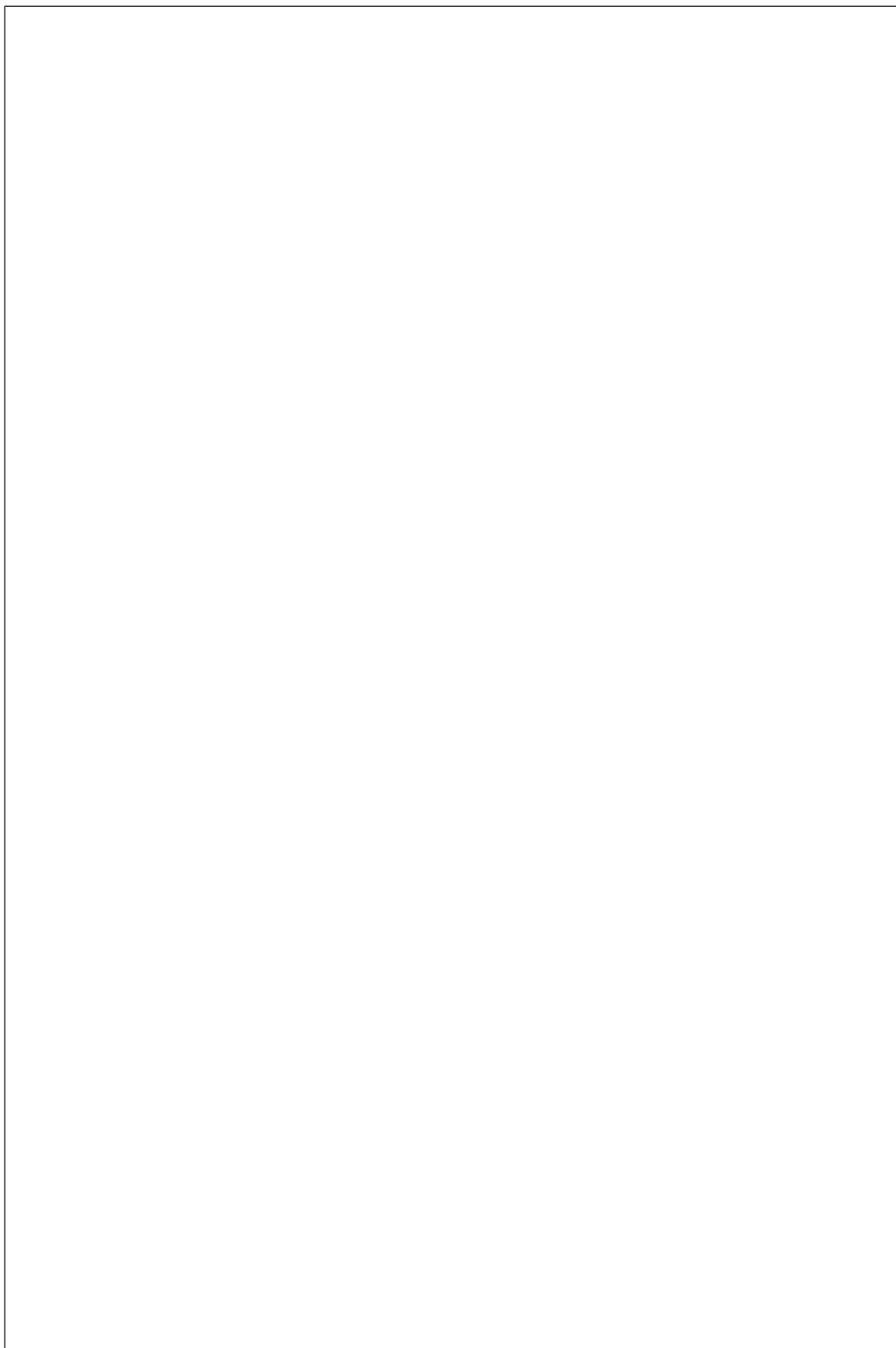
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- (b) Describe, using CAD modelling techniques, how to create the stationery holder top.

You must refer to the dimensions given in the drawing.

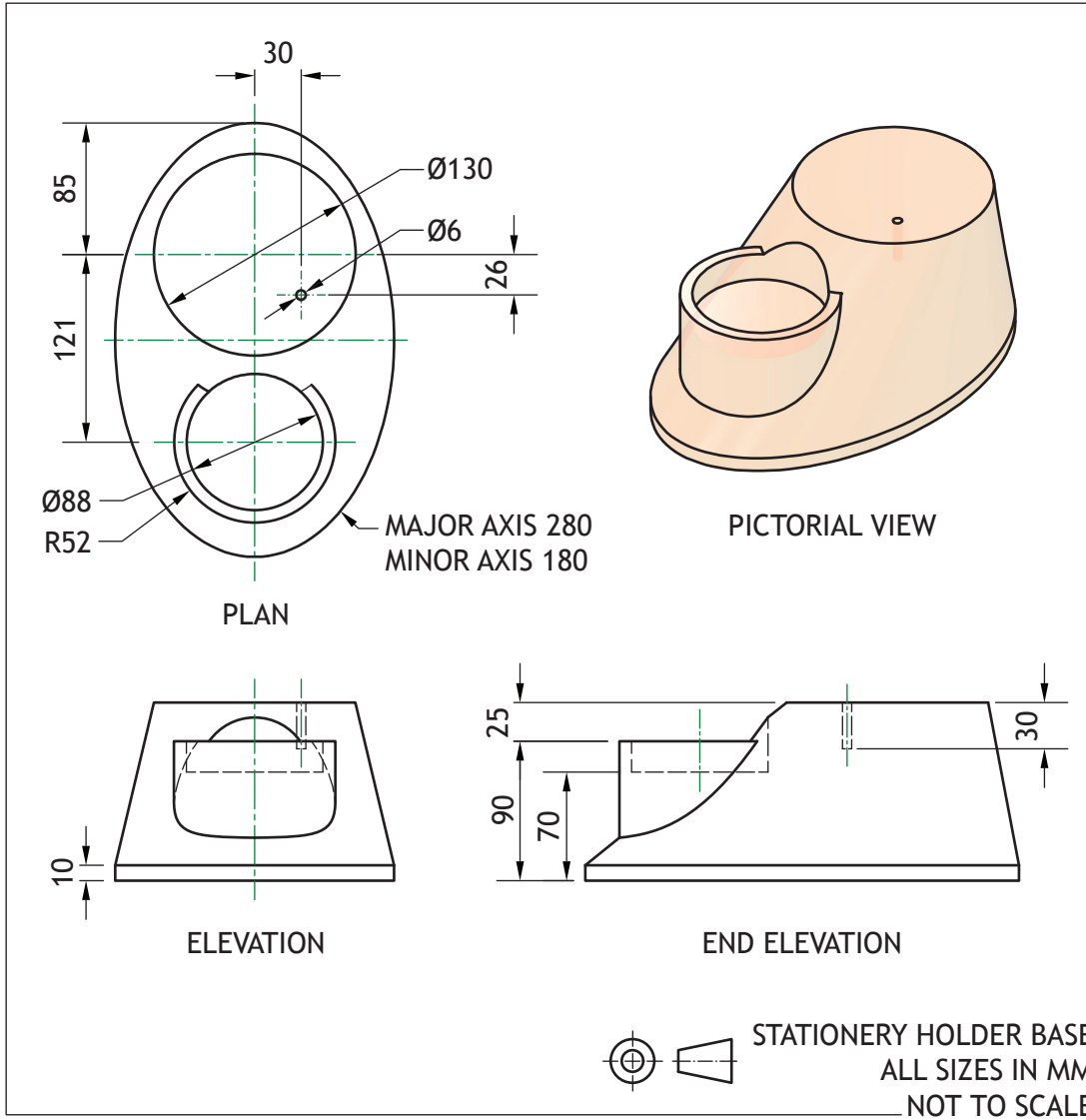
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## 4. (continued)

A drawing for the stationery holder base component was also produced. This is shown below.





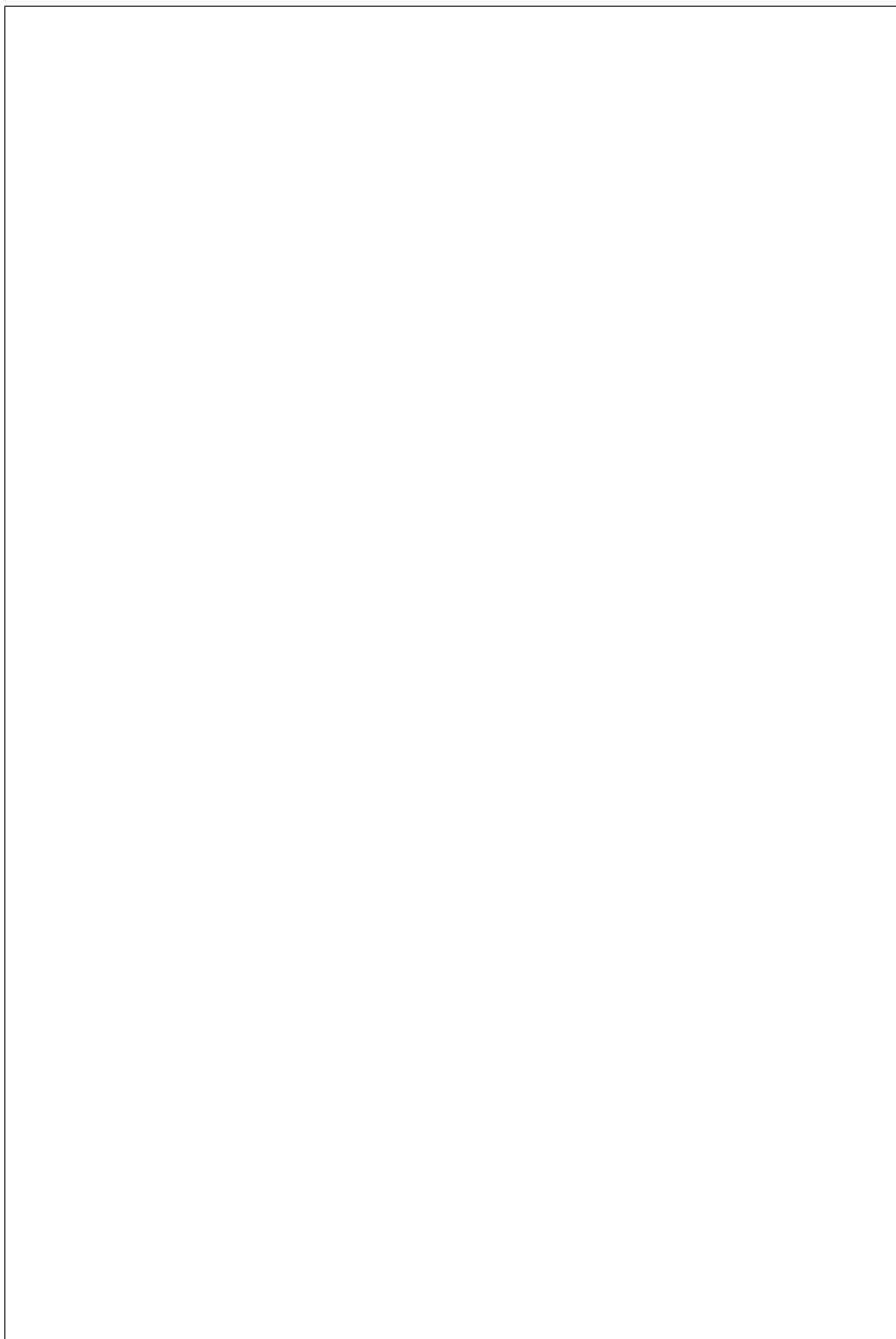
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- (c) Describe, using CAD modelling techniques, how to create the stationery holder base.

You must refer to the dimensions given in the drawing.

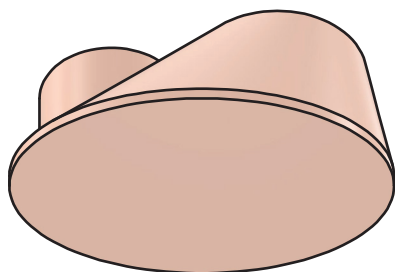
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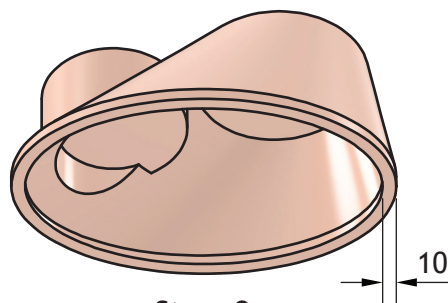



4. (continued)

An additional 3D CAD edit was added to the stationery holder base. This is shown below at **Stage 2**.



Stage 1



Stage 2

(d) Describe, using CAD modelling techniques, how to create **Stage 2**.

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You may use sketches to support your answer.

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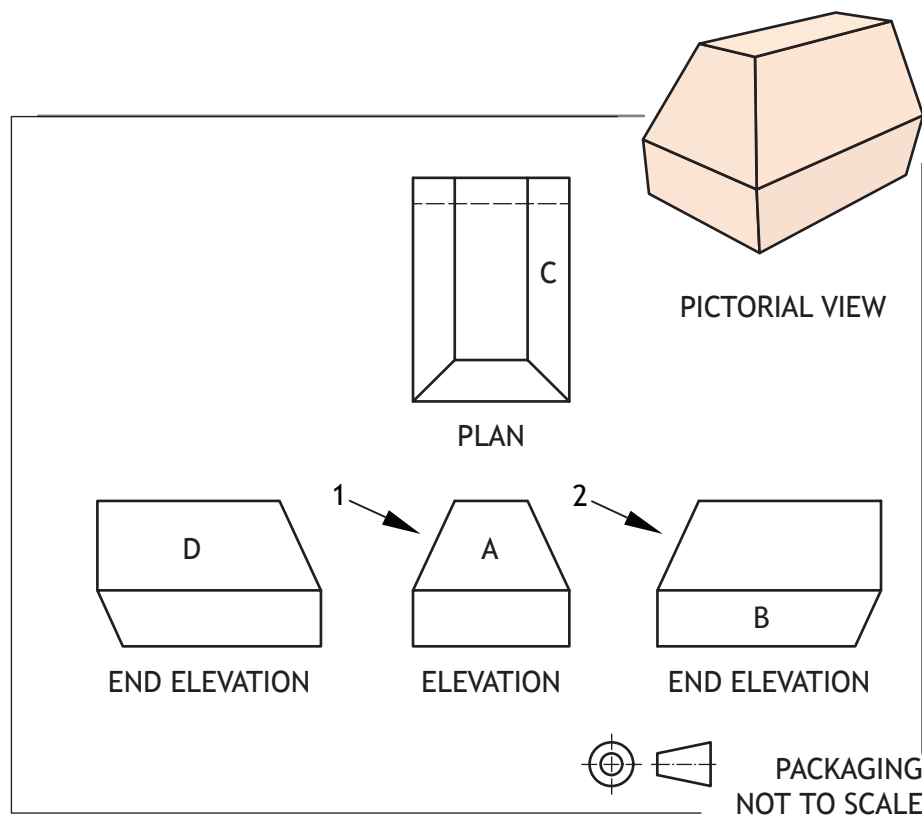


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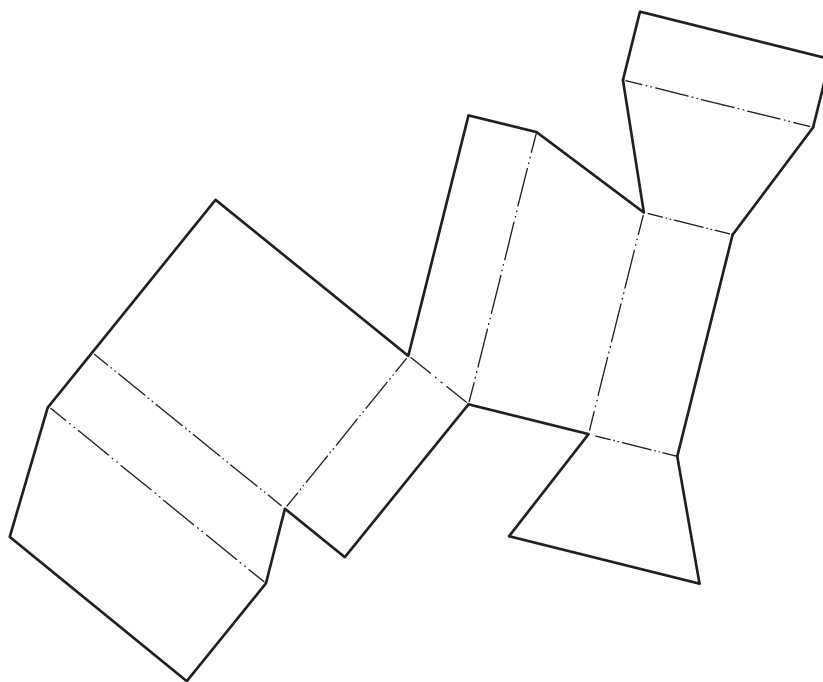
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Pictorial and orthographic views of a packaging proposal for the stationery holder are shown below.



- (e) Identify the position of faces A–D on the surface development below. The surface development is shown from the outside.

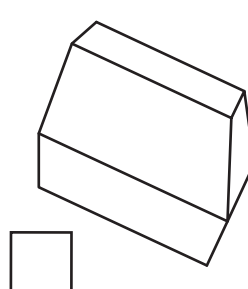
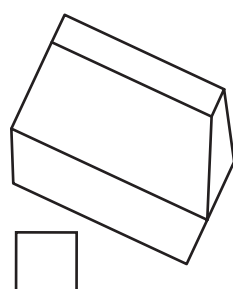
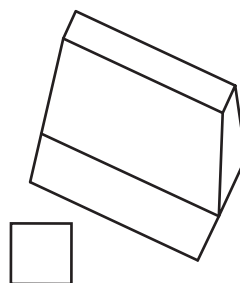
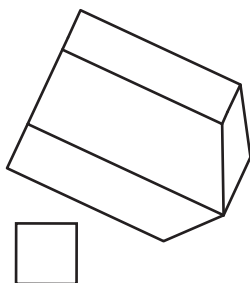
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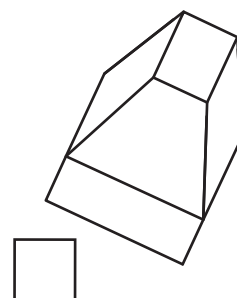
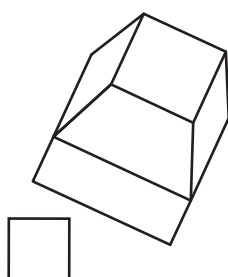
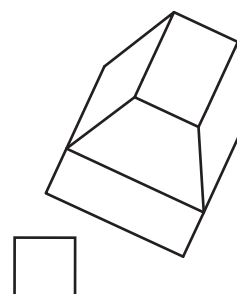
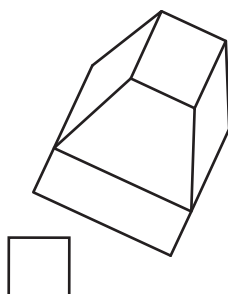
- (f) (i) Identify the correct auxiliary view of the mount in **direction 1**, shown in the drawing opposite, by ticking (✓) a box below.

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- (ii) Identify the correct auxiliary view of the mount in **direction 2**, shown in the drawing opposite, by ticking (✓) a box below.

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4. (continued)

The files for the packaging proposal are stored in the cloud.

- (g) Explain, giving **two** examples, the benefits to the company of using cloud storage.

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4. (continued)

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A business card was produced for the stationery company.



- (h) Describe, giving **two** examples, how the graphic artist has used contrast to enhance the business card.

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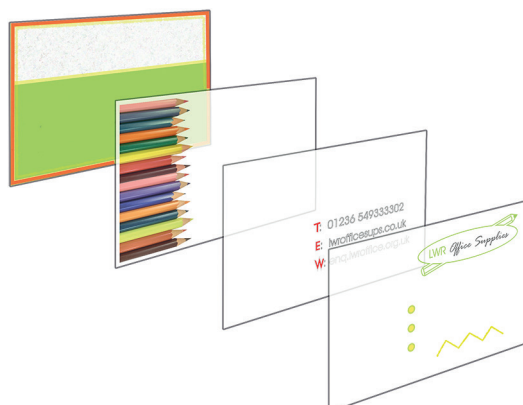
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The layout was produced in layers using DTP software.



- (i) Describe **three** advantages to the graphic artist of using layers to produce the layout.

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4. (continued)

An online newsletter is available for the general public to view.



(j) Explain **three** benefits to consumers of reading the newsletter online.

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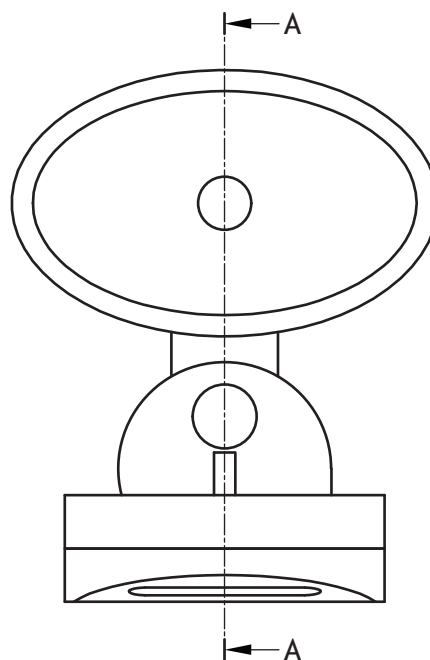
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5. A concept for a portable HD camera is shown below.

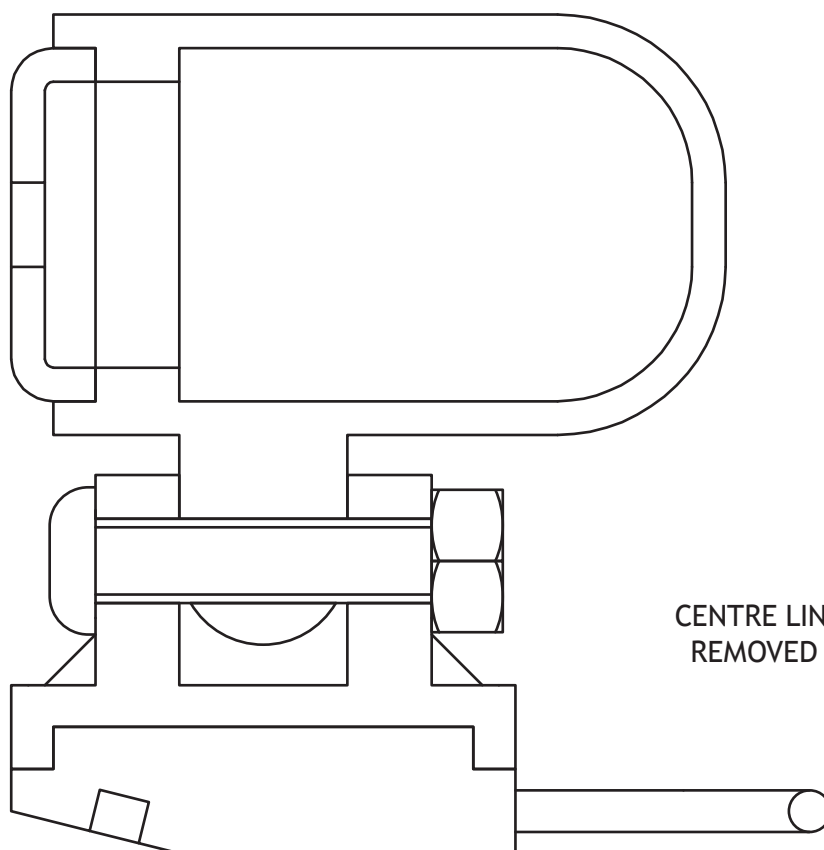
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- (a) An incomplete enlarged sectional view of the camera is given below. Using the information provided on the **supplementary sheet for use with question 5 (a)**, complete the sectional view by adding appropriate hatching.

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5. (continued)

A full section was produced to show internal detail more clearly.

(b) State the name of two other types of sectional views.

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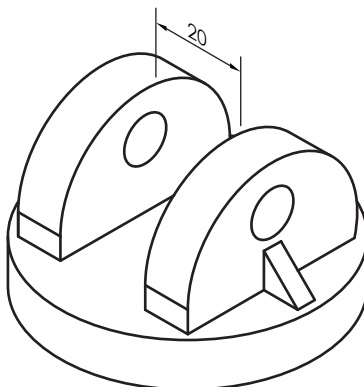
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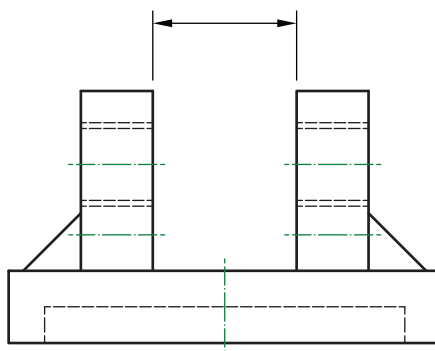


Maximum size of gap between uprights: 20.25

Minimum size of gap between uprights: 19.65

- (c) (i) Apply an asymmetrical tolerance with the correct British Standard conventions to the view below.

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The asymmetrical tolerance above is a functional tolerance.

- (ii) Describe what is meant by the term functional tolerance.

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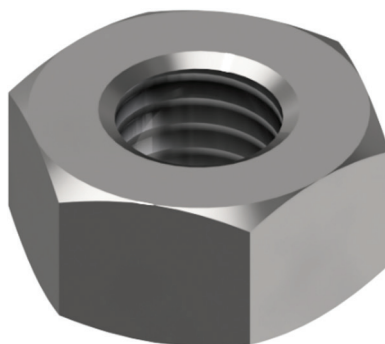
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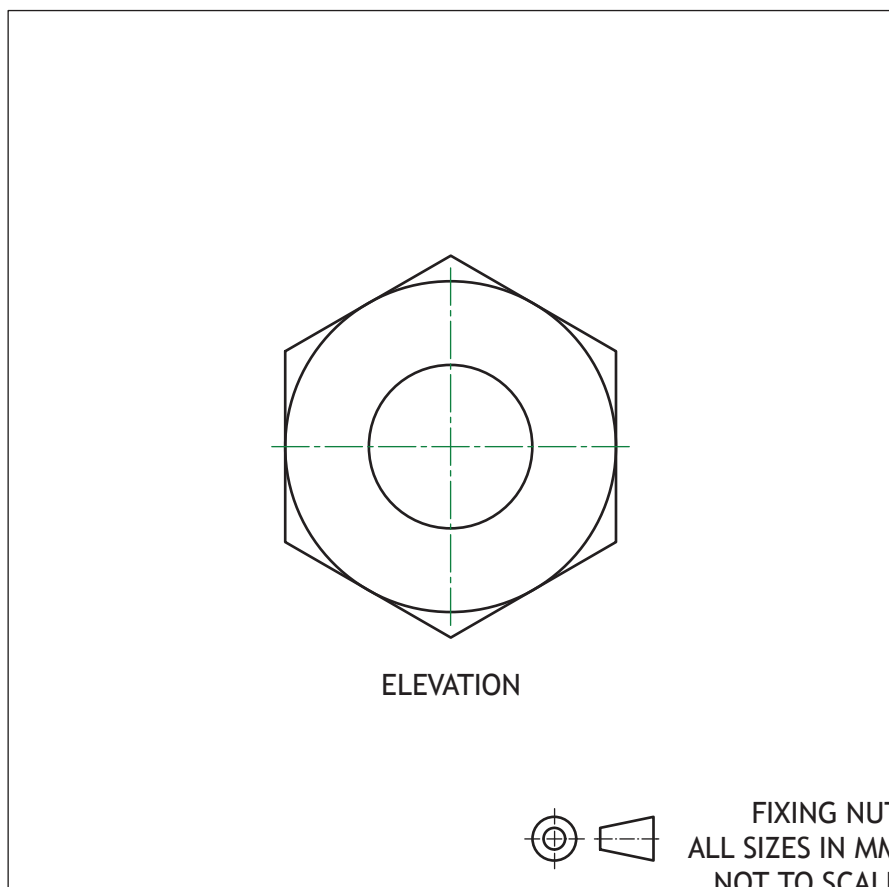
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A pictorial illustration of the fixing nut is shown below.



- (d) Apply the correct British Standard conventions for an internal thread to the elevation below.

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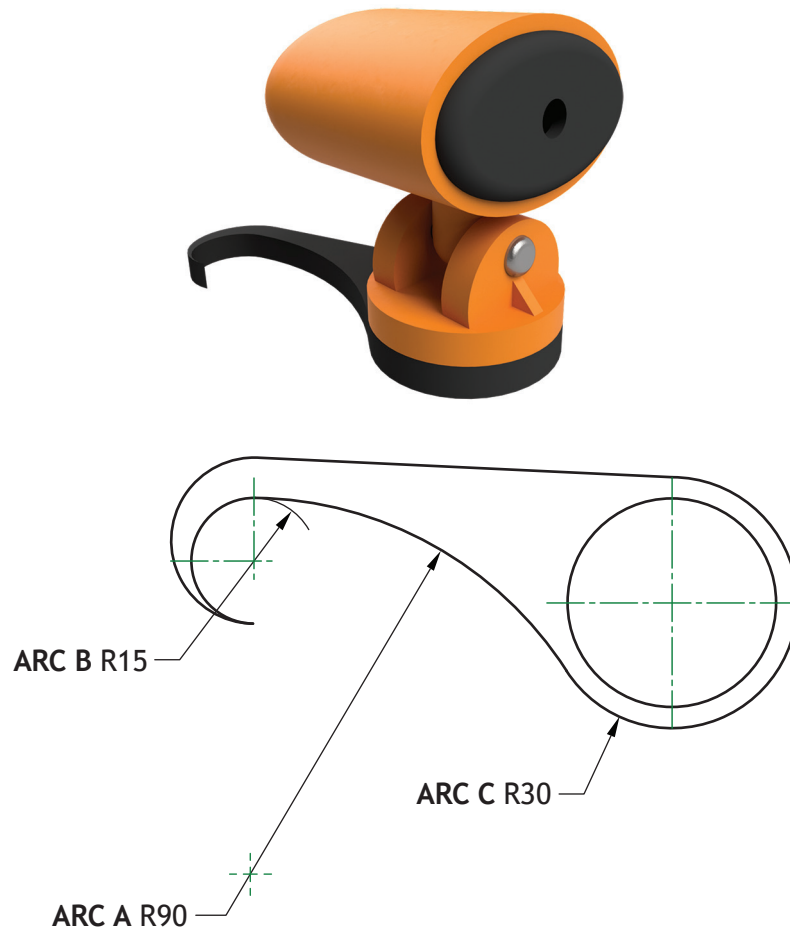


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A design concept for an alternate base attachment is shown below.



Using the principles of tangency:

- (e) (i) calculate the distance from the centre of Arc A to the centre of Arc B

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- (ii) calculate the distance from the centre of Arc A to the centre of Arc C.

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