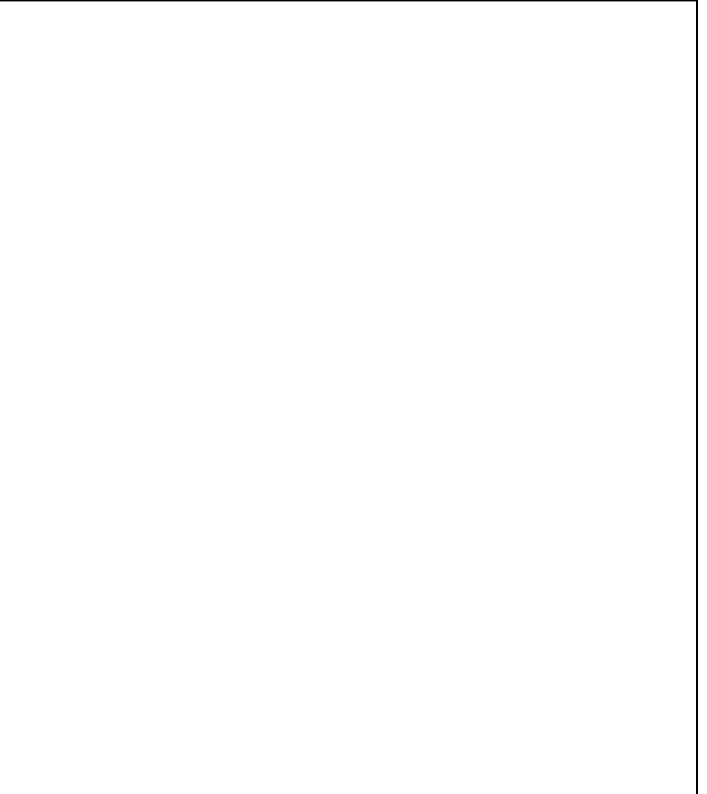


# Drawing basics: A shading reference for pears



Realistic shading comes from careful observation. Choose one of these pears and draw it. Notice how the shadow changes from light to dark as it goes across the surface of the pear. Shade in the stem, the details of the surface of the skin, the darkness of the background. Go slowly so that you can observe the visual characteristics carefully.

Choose one picture to do well. Remember that it is better to go slowly and observe carefully than to speed through and finish quickly.

**Take your time:** you are training your brain to observe like an artist.

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