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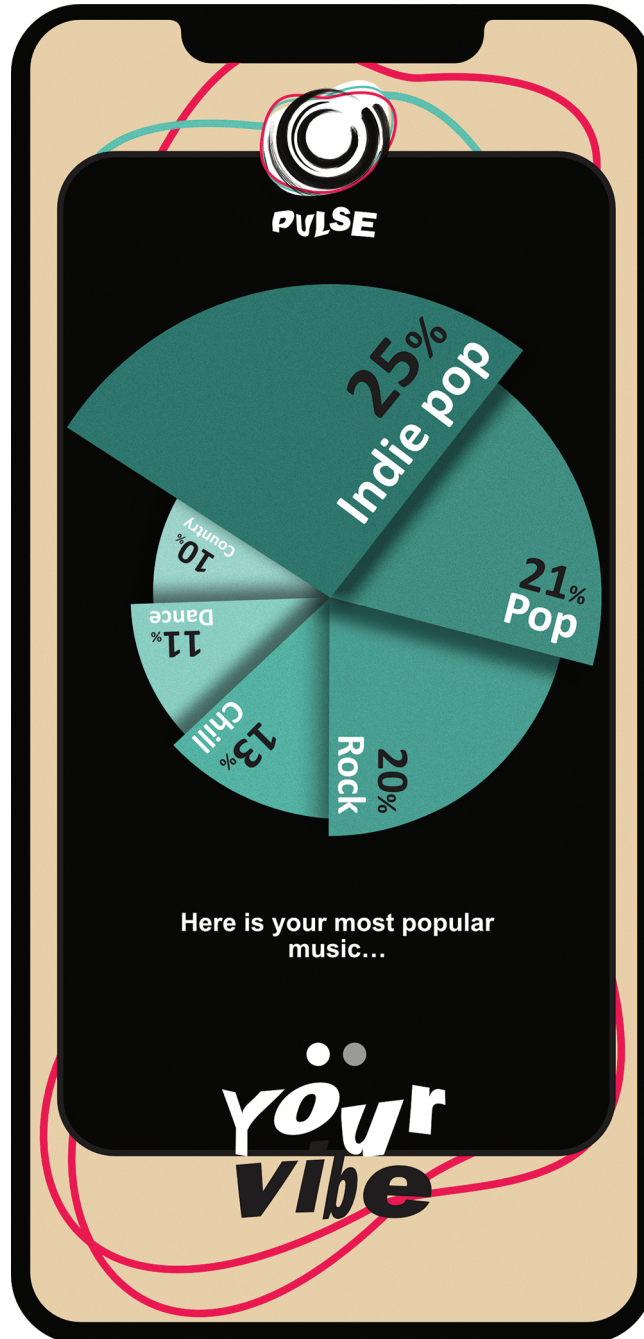
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1. Pulse is a music streaming app for smartphones. A screen from the app is shown below.



1. (continued)

(a) The screen shows a user's most popular types of music listened to over a year.

(i) State the name of the chart used.

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(ii) Explain why this chart is appropriate to communicate this information.

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(b) Describe **three** ways the graphic artist has graphically communicated the most popular types of music on the screen.

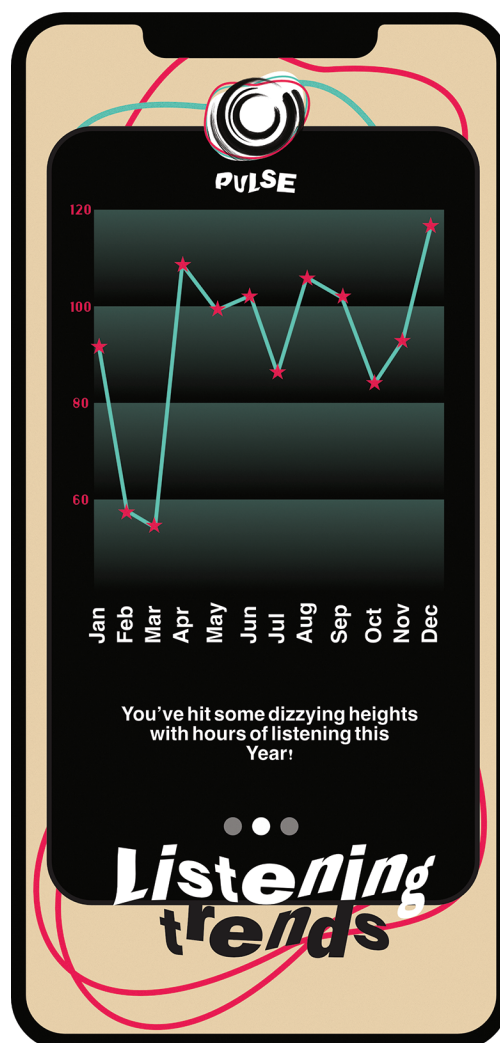
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1. (continued)

A second screen from the app is shown below.



(c) This graph shows the number of hours a user listened to music each month.

(i) State the name of the graph used above.

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(ii) Explain why this graph is appropriate to communicate this information.

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1. (continued)

A graphic layout showing another screen from the app is shown below.



(d) Describe **two** ways each of the following design elements and principles have been used in the layout:

(i) Depth _____ 2

1. (d) (continued)

(ii) Unity _____ 2

(iii) Contrast _____ 2

(e) Describe **one** way alignment has been used in the layout. 1

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2. A landscape design company has produced graphics for a new garden studio shown below.



preliminary graphic



promotional graphic

- (a) (i) Explain the purpose of a promotional graphic.

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A digital version of the manual preliminary graphic is created.

- (ii) State the names of **two** input devices that could be used to convert the preliminary graphic into a digital file.

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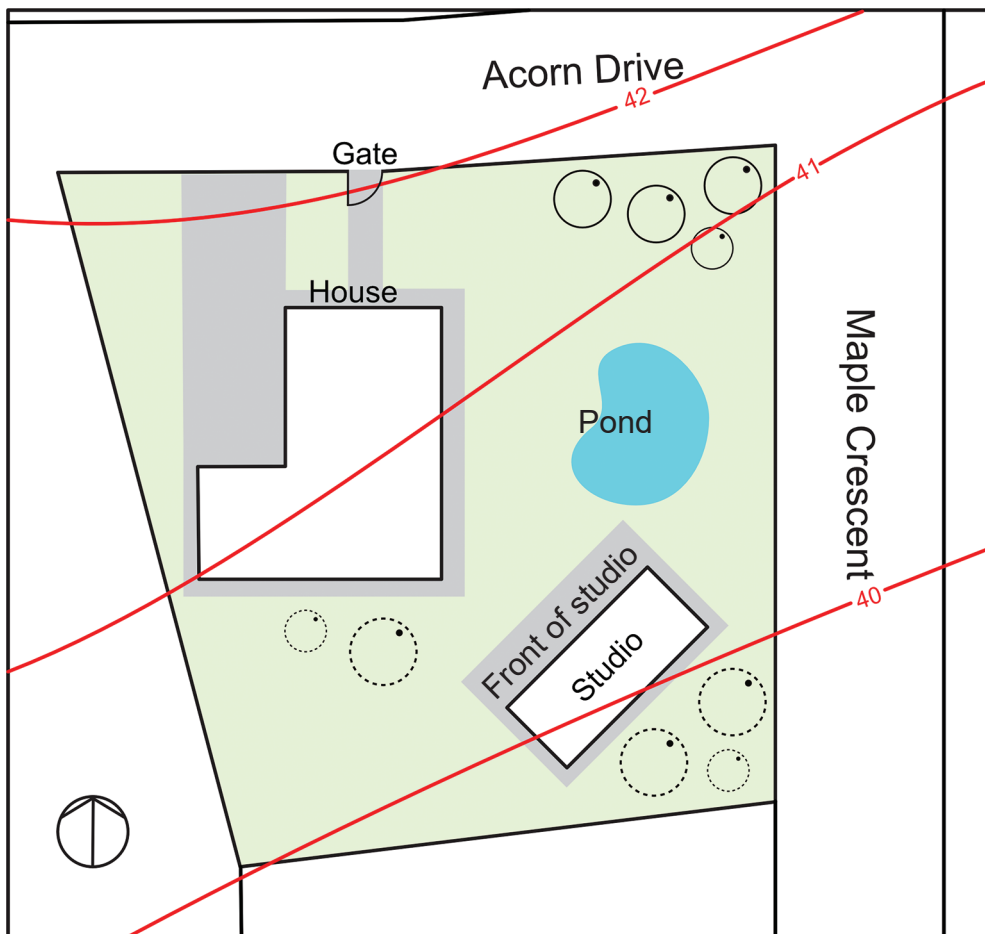
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2. (continued)

A site plan showing the proposed position of a garden studio is shown below.



(b) State a scale commonly used for a site plan.

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(c) Contours are shown in red on the site plan.
Explain the purpose of contours on a site plan.

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2. (continued)

The front of the garden studio faces the house on the plot.

- (d) State the direction the front of the garden studio faces.

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- (e) State the direction the pond is in relation to the house.

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The site plan was produced by a designer who works from home.

- (f) Describe **two** advantages of remote working.

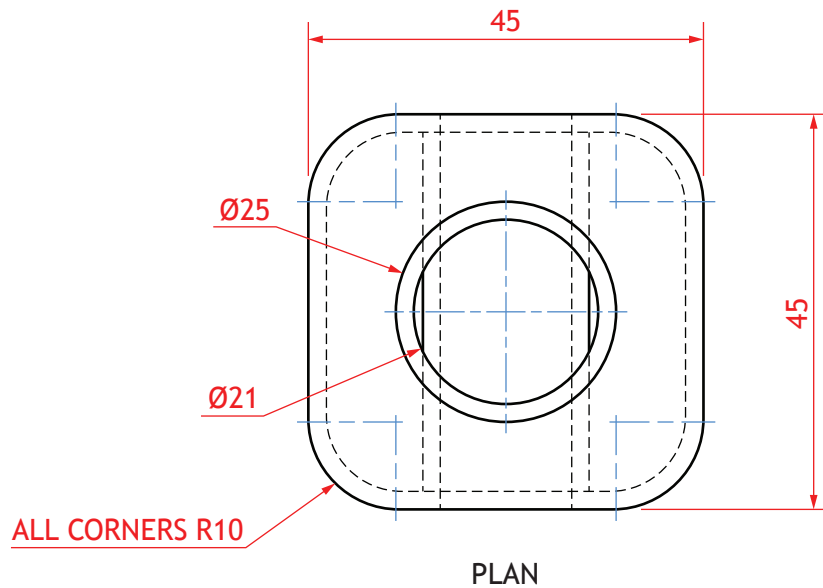
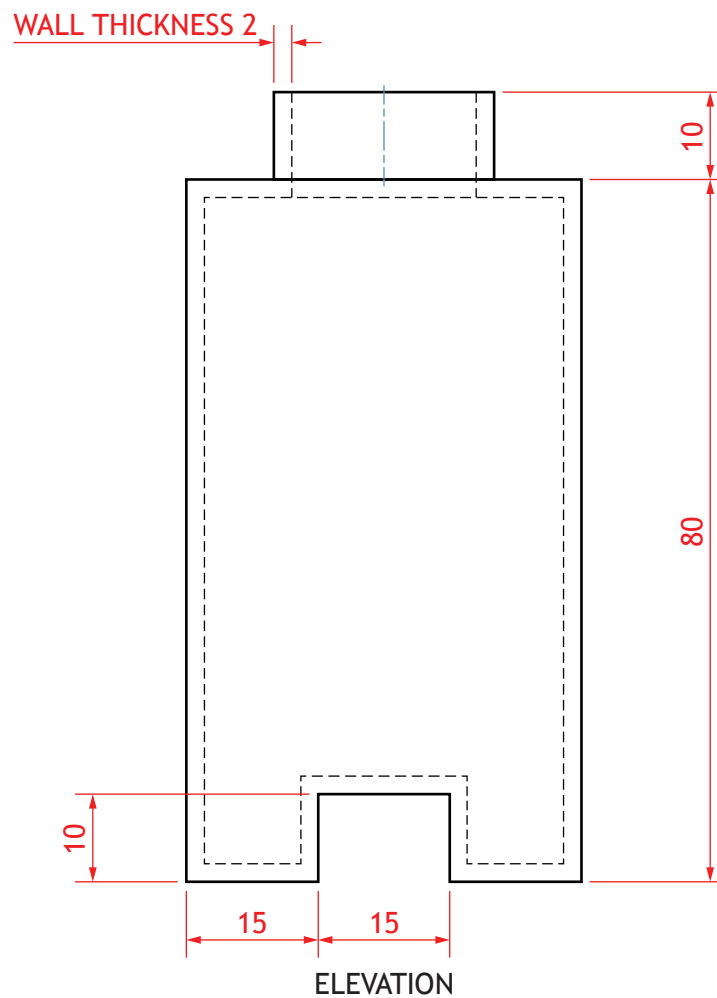
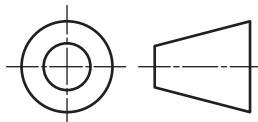
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3. A company has created a new drinks bottle for their product line. It has two parts: a body and a lid.

An orthographic drawing of the body is shown below.



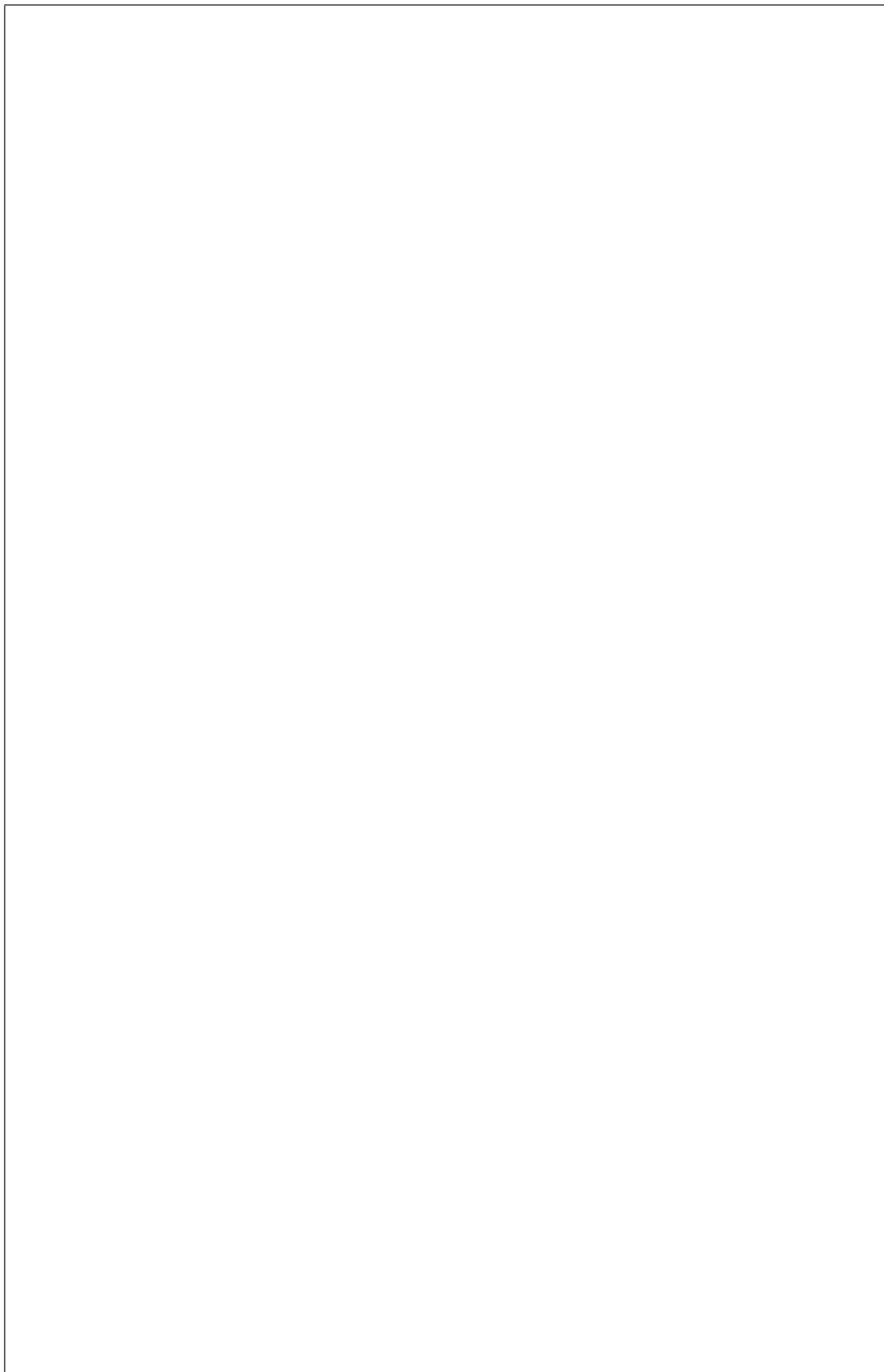
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3. (continued)

- (a) Describe, using the correct dimensions and 3D CAD modelling terms, how you would use 3D CAD software to model the body.

You may use sketches to help support your answer.

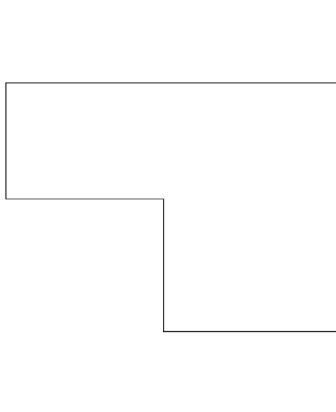
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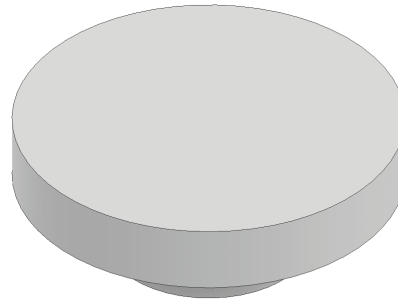

3. (continued)

The stages to create the 3D CAD model of the lid are shown below.

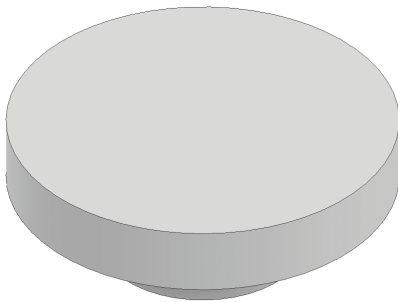
Stage 1



Stage 2



Stage 2



Stage 3



Stage 3



Stage 4



3. (continued)

- (b) (i) State the name of the 3D CAD command used to go from stage 1 to stage 2. 1

- (ii) State the name of the 3D CAD edit used to go from stage 2 to stage 3. 1

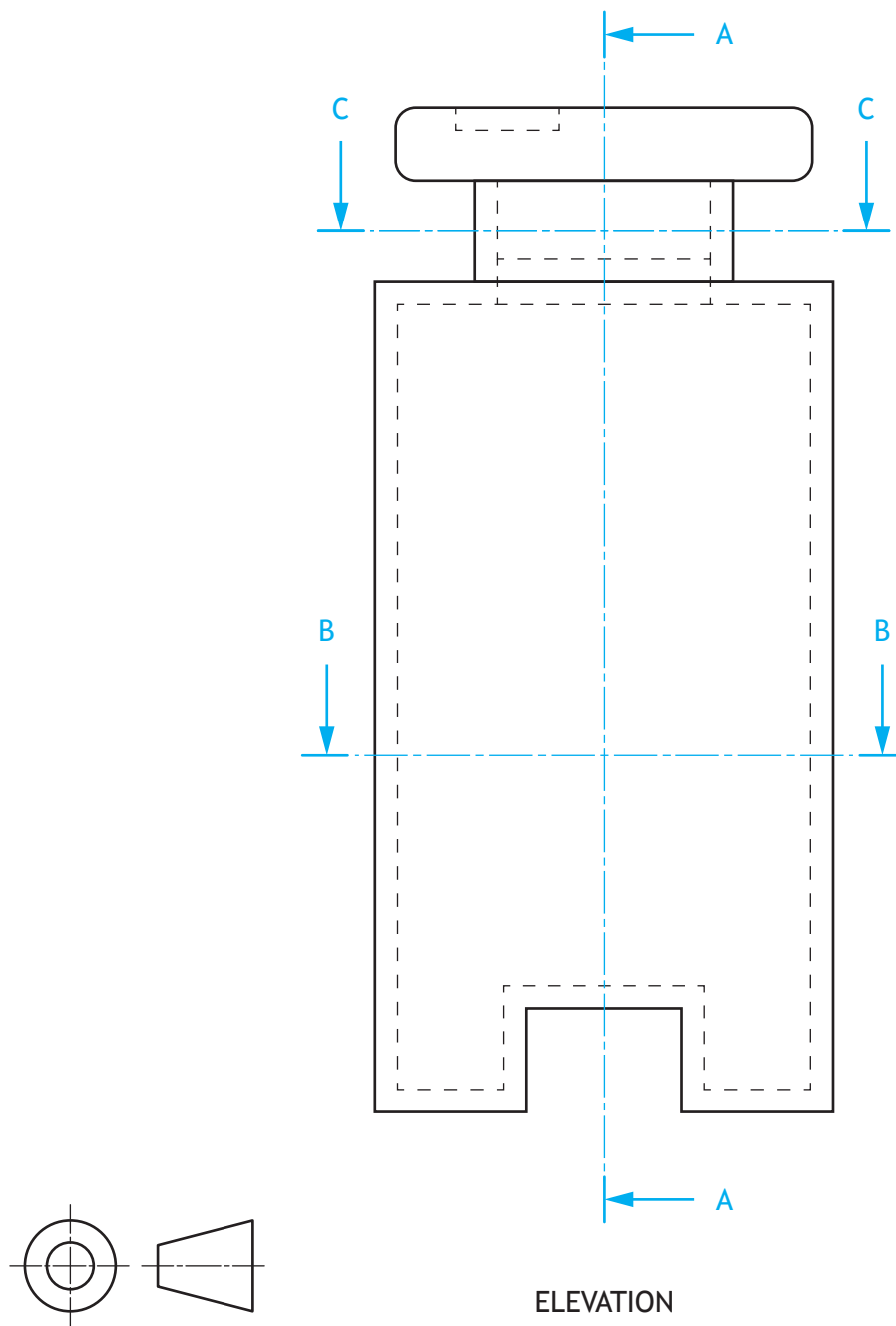
- (iii) State the name of the 3D CAD edit used to go from stage 3 to stage 4. 1

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3. (continued)

The elevation of the assembled bottle is shown below.



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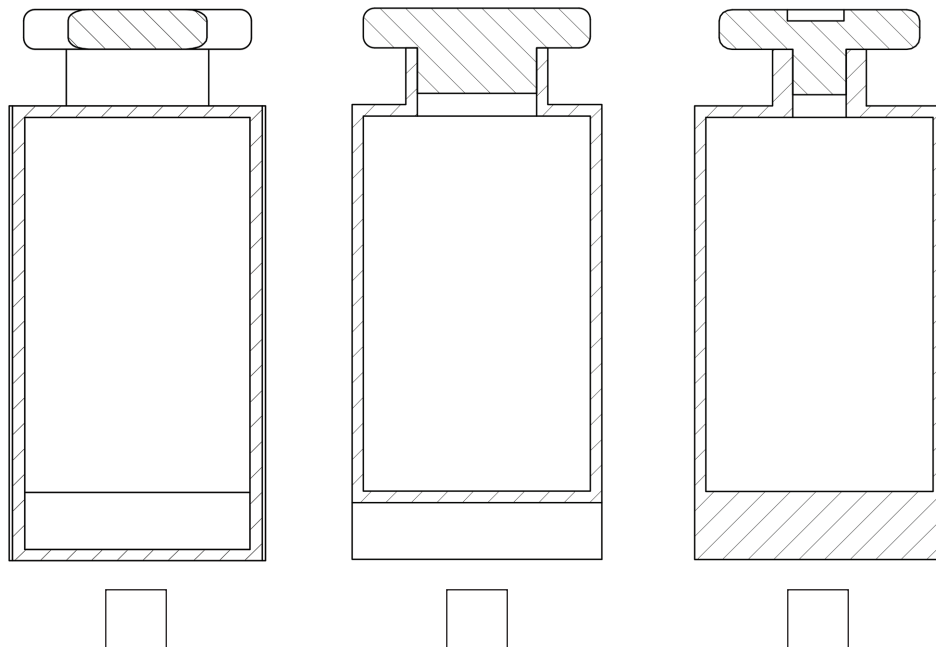
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(c) Three sectional views projected from the elevation are shown below.

Identify the correct sectional view for each cutting plane by ticking (✓) a box below.

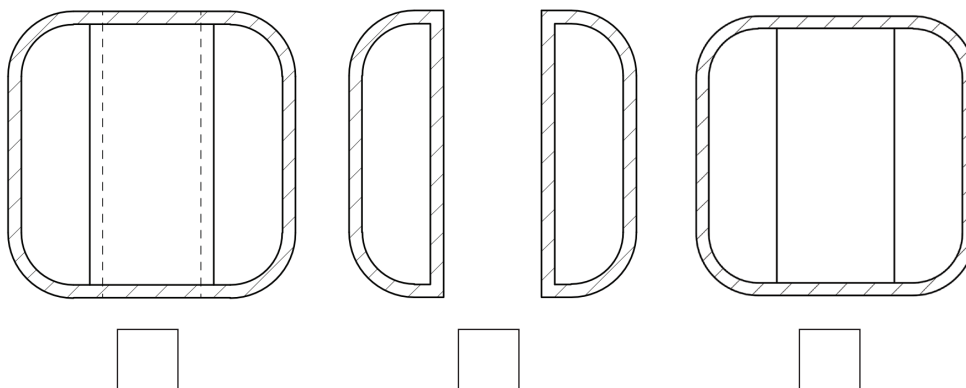
(i) Cutting plane A-A

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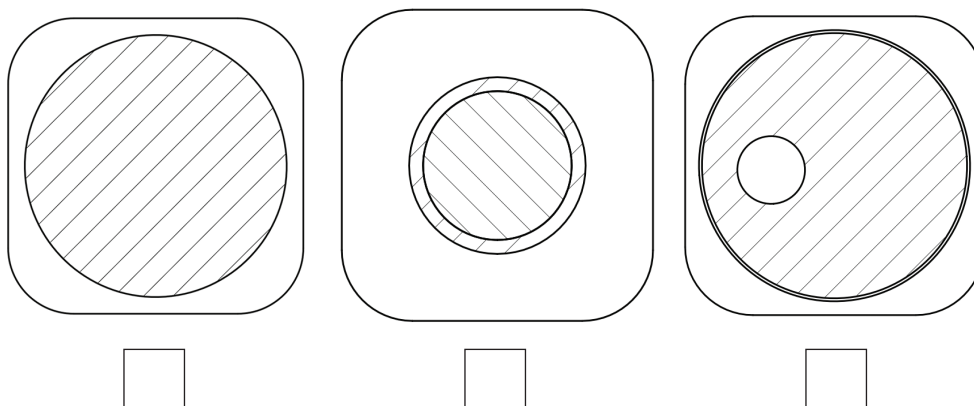
(ii) Cutting plane B-B

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(iii) Cutting plane C-C

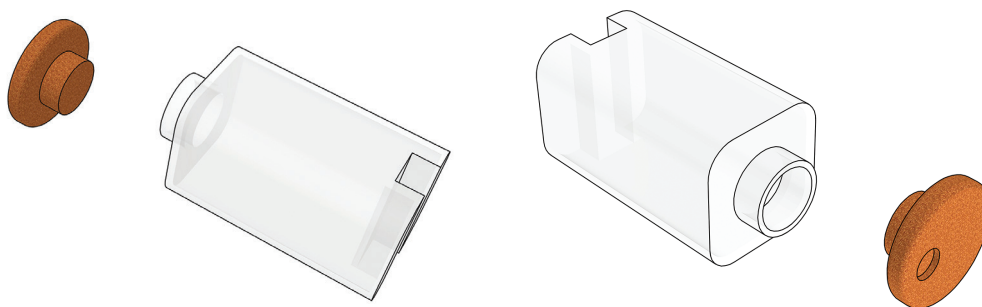
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3. (continued)

The bottle parts were assembled using 3D CAD assembly techniques.



- (d) Describe, using 3D CAD constraints, how to assemble the bottle and lid.
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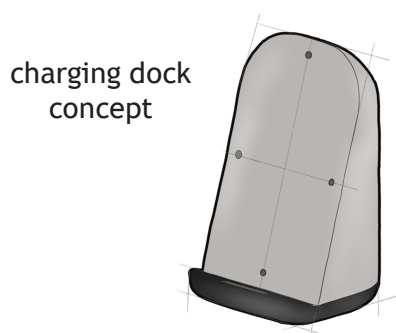
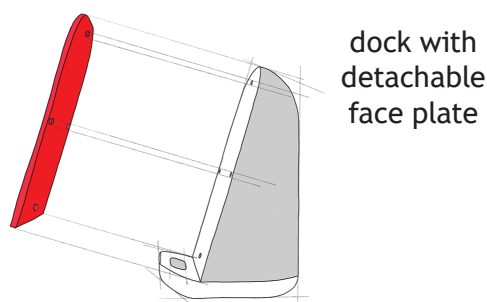
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4. A designer has created manual preliminary sketches for a smartphone charging dock.

(a) Describe **two** reasons for creating preliminary sketches.

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The designer created more preliminary sketches using digital methods. Two of the preliminary sketches are shown below.



(b) Describe **two** advantages of creating digital sketches over manual methods.

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(c) The designer displays their work in an online portfolio.

Explain **two** benefits to the designer of having their portfolio published online rather than being printed.

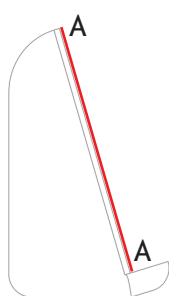
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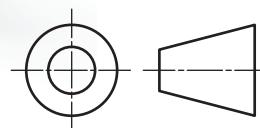
An orthographic drawing and rendered pictorial view of the charging dock are shown below.



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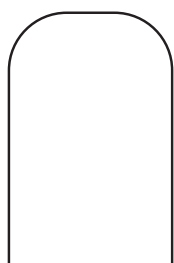
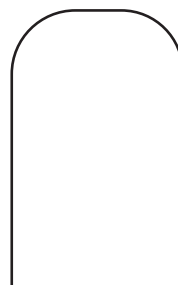
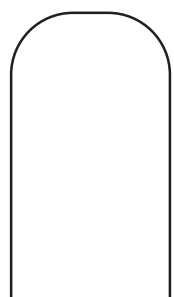
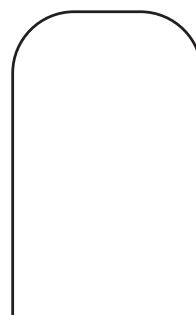


ELEVATION



- (d) Identify the correct true shape of the sloping surface A-A by ticking (✓) a box below.

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4. (continued)

- (e) The charging dock will be connected to a socket.

Identify the correct British Standard symbol for a socket by ticking (✓) a box below.

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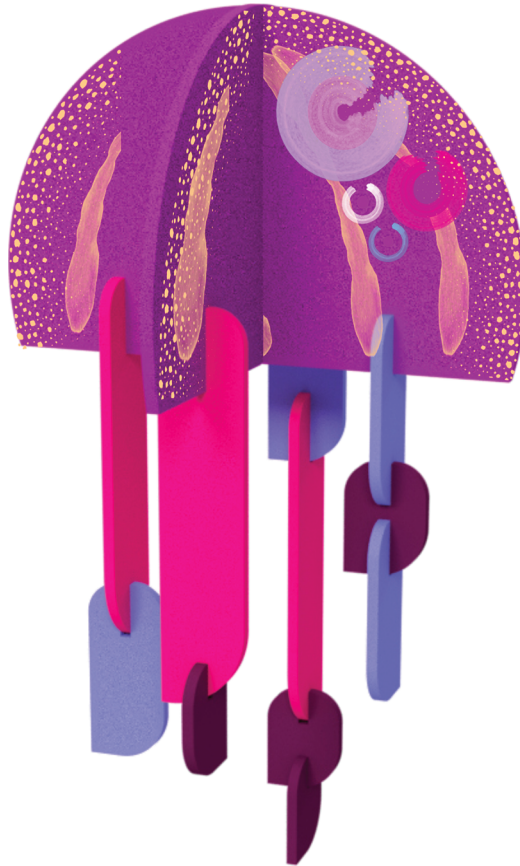
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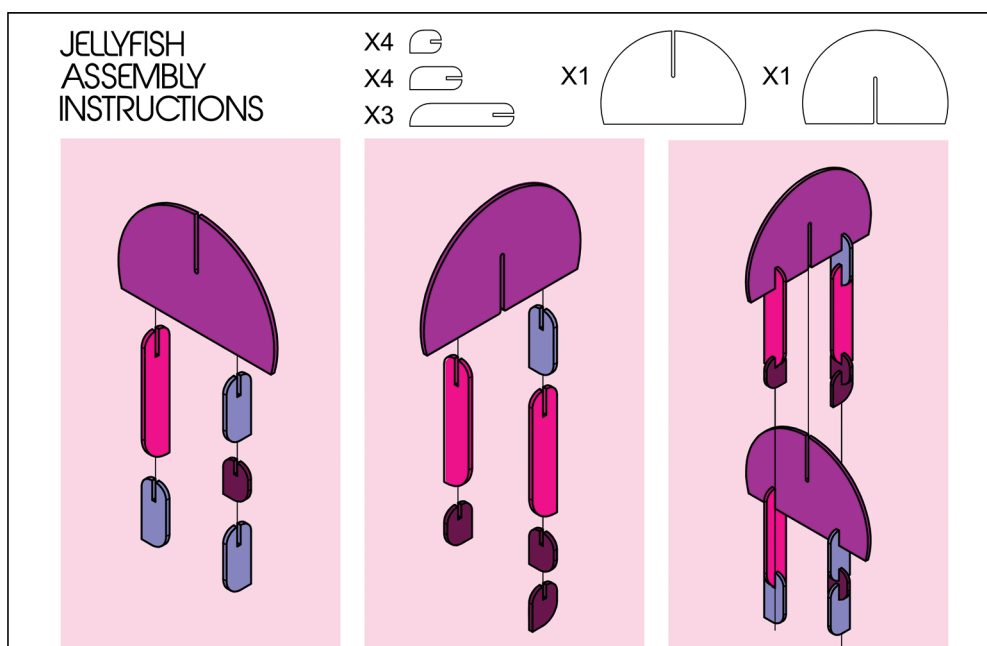


5. A manufacturer has produced a range of toys. A 3D CAD illustration of a jellyfish toy is shown below.



jellyfish toy

The assembly instructions for the jellyfish toy are shown below.

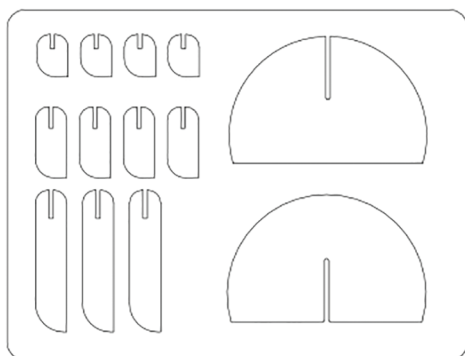
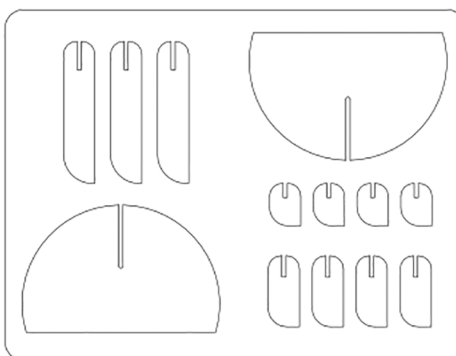
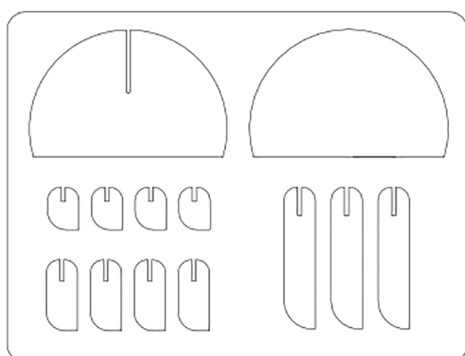
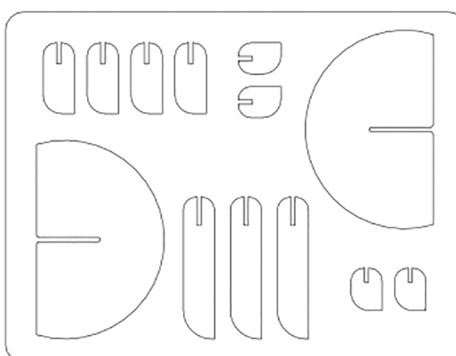
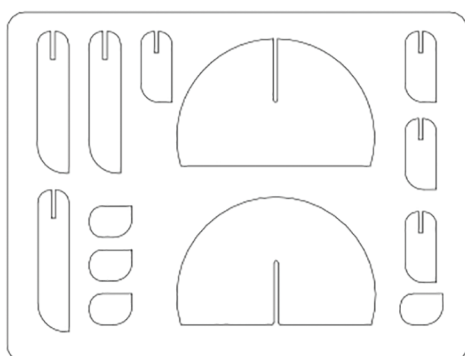
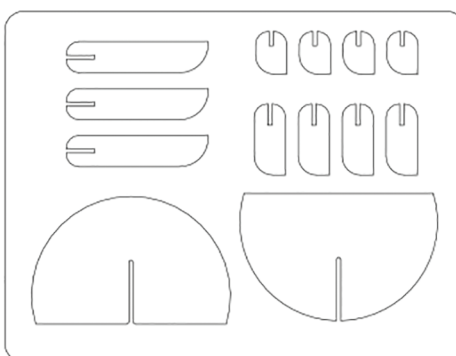


5. (continued)

- (a) The jellyfish toy parts are cut out from one sheet of material. Some layouts are shown below.

Identify the **two** correct layouts by ticking (✓) **two** boxes.

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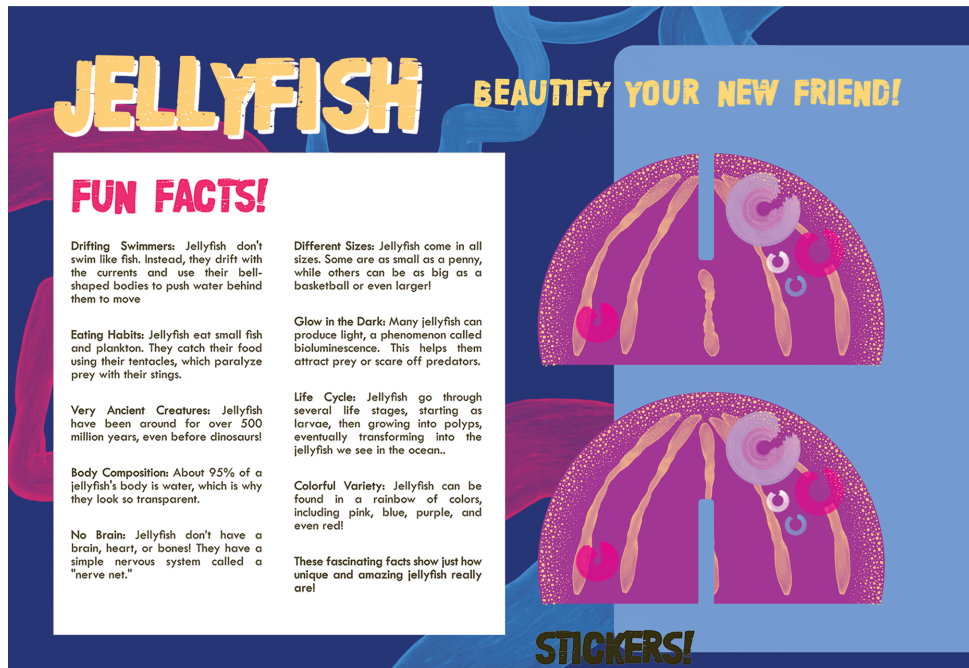
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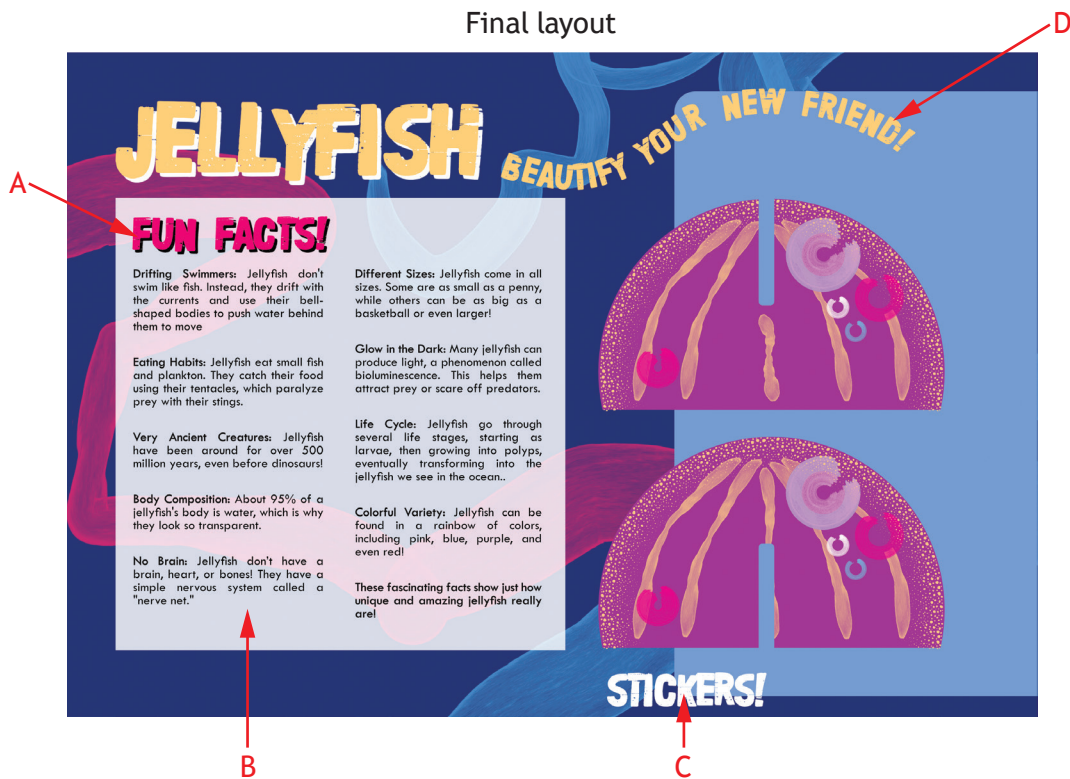
5. (continued)

The jellyfish toy is sold with a sticker fact sheet. The first draft, and final layout of the graphics are shown below.

Draft layout



Final layout



5. (continued)

- (b) State the names of the DTP edits, A to D, applied to the final layout, shown opposite.

Do not refer to scaling or resizing in your answer, and you must give a different answer for each response.

(i) Edit A to the 'fun facts' text: _____ 1

(ii) Edit B to the white box: _____ 1

(iii) Edit C to the 'STICKERS' text: _____ 1

(iv) Edit D to the 'BEAUTIFY YOUR NEW FRIEND' text: _____ 1

- (c) Describe, giving **two** reasons, the effect yellow-orange has on the title. 2

Colours were selected by referring to the colour wheel.

- (d) Complete the table below stating whether the colours are primary, secondary or tertiary. 3

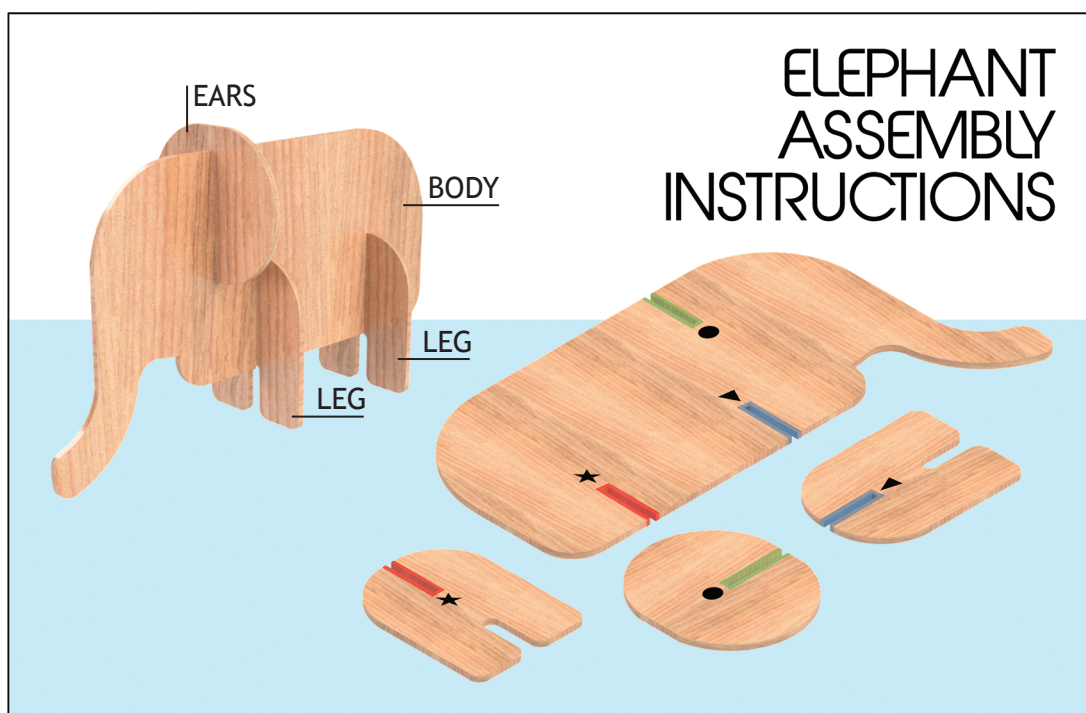
Colour	Primary, Secondary or Tertiary
Purple	
Blue	
Yellow-orange	

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5. (continued)

Assembly instructions for an elephant toy are shown below.



- (e) Identify **two** features of the assembly instructions that make them easy to understand.

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6. A rendered 3D CAD illustration of a bottle holder is shown below.



- (a) State the name of **two** CAD Illustration techniques that have been applied to the model.

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- (b) Explain **one** effect CAD illustration techniques have on 3D models.

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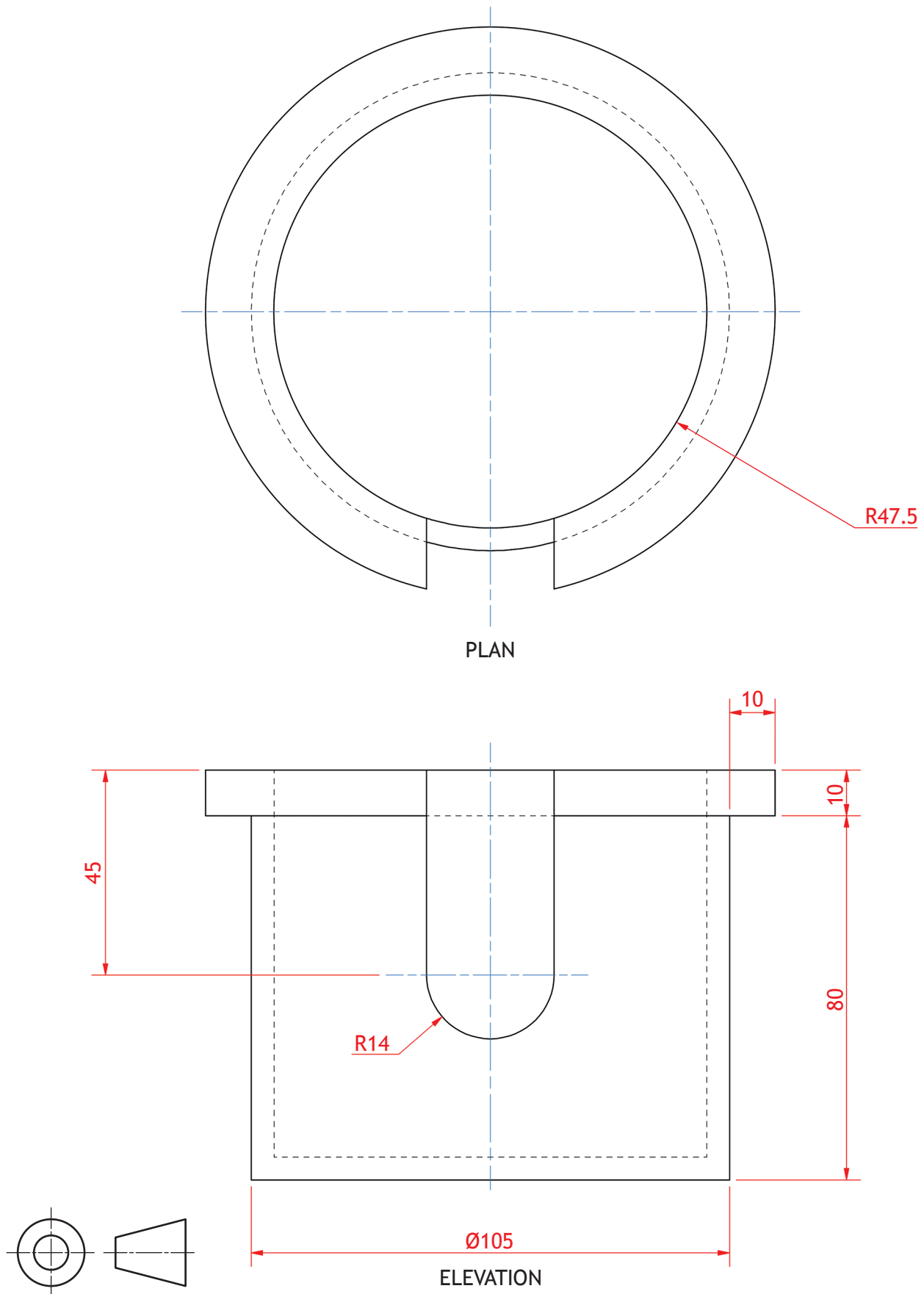
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6. (continued)

An orthographic drawing of one of the bottle holder components is shown below.

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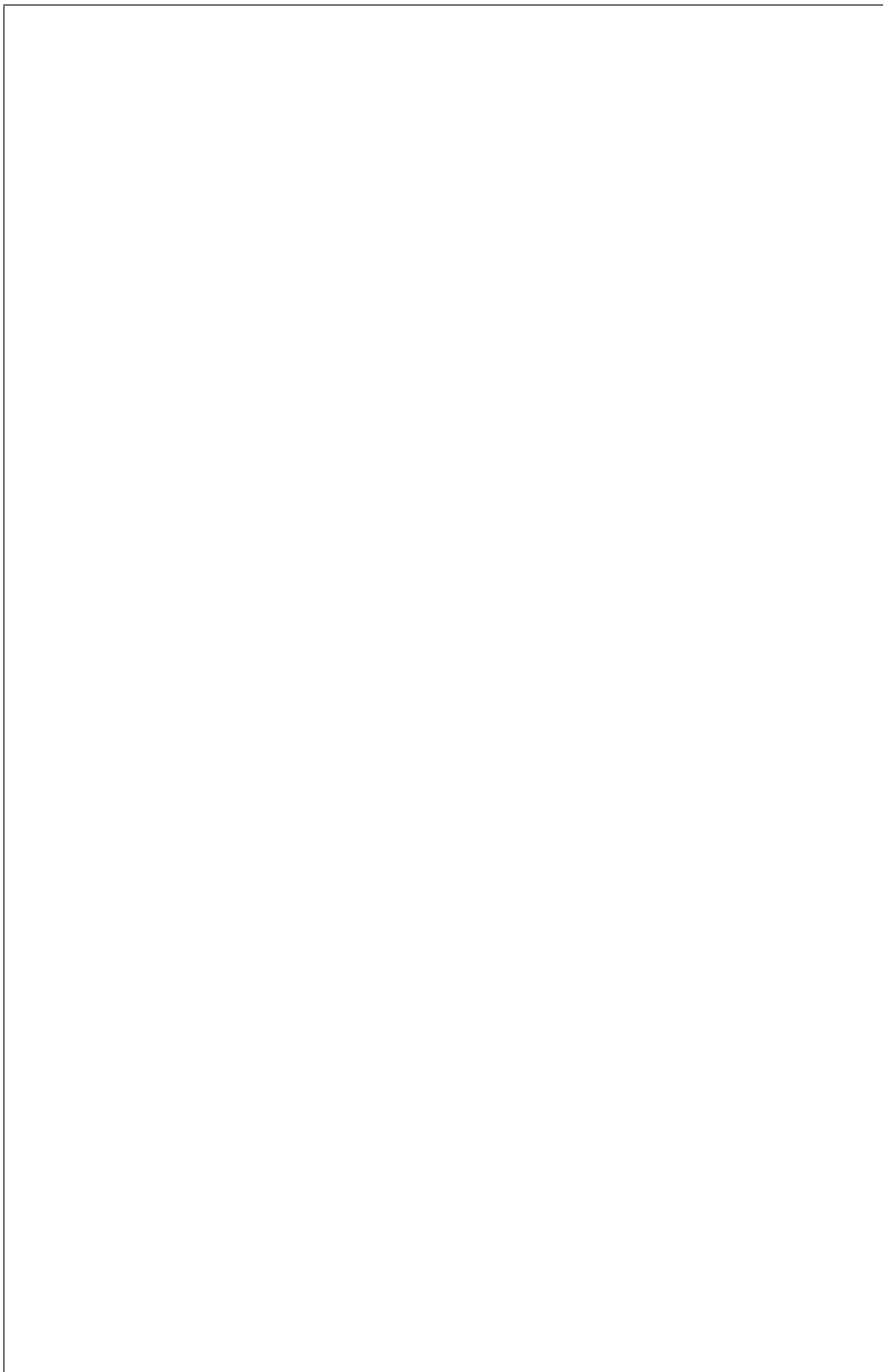


6. (continued)

- (c) Describe, using the correct dimensions and 3D CAD modelling terms, how you would use 3D CAD software to model the bottle holder.

You may use sketches to support your answer.

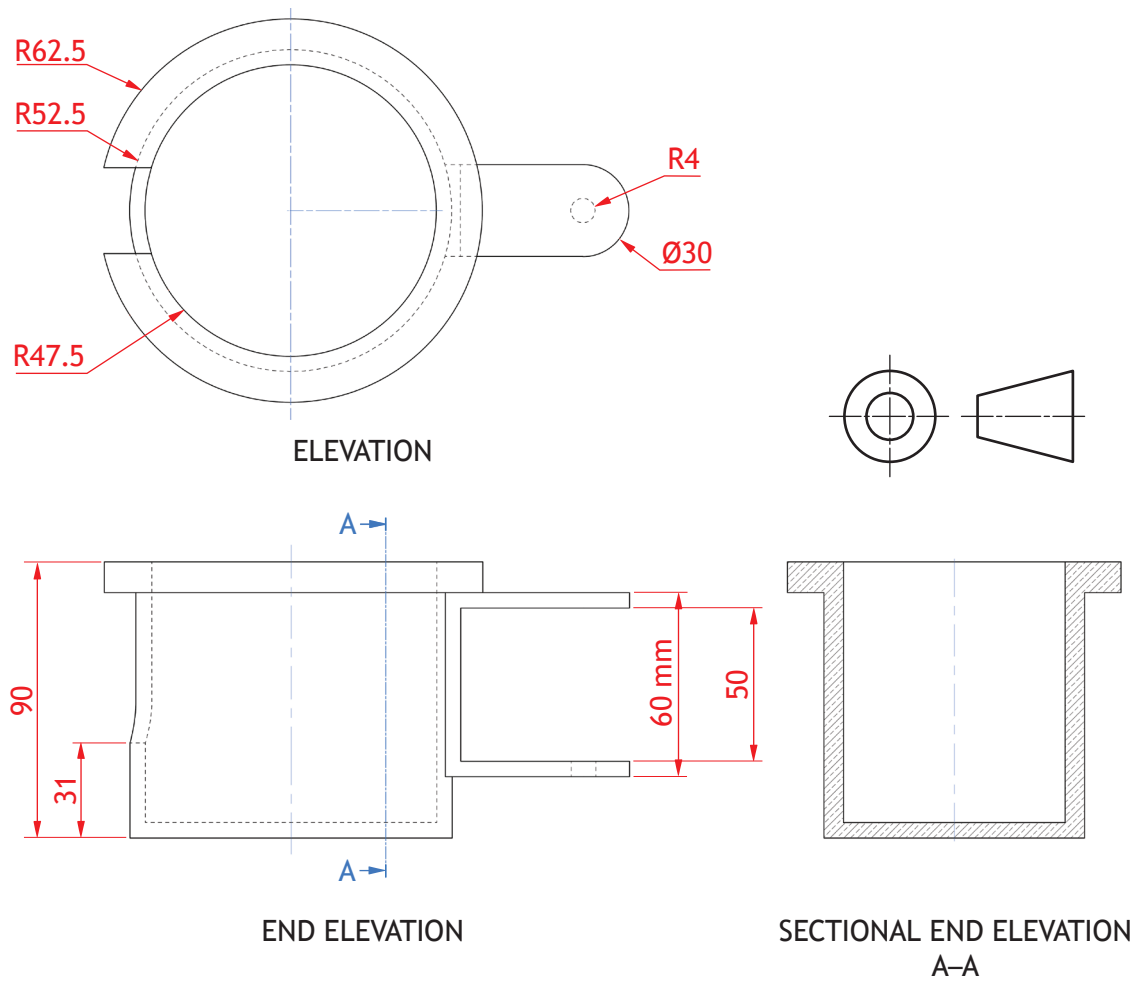
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6. (continued)

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An orthographic drawing of the assembled bottle holder is shown below.



The orthographic drawing contains errors that do not conform to British Standards.

(d) Identify **six** errors in the orthographic drawing.

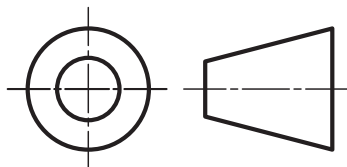
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You may annotate the drawing to support your answer.



6. (continued)

A title block will be added to the final orthographic drawing. The title block will include the symbol shown below.



- (e) (i) Describe the purpose of this symbol.

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- (ii) State **three** other pieces of information that should be included in a title block.

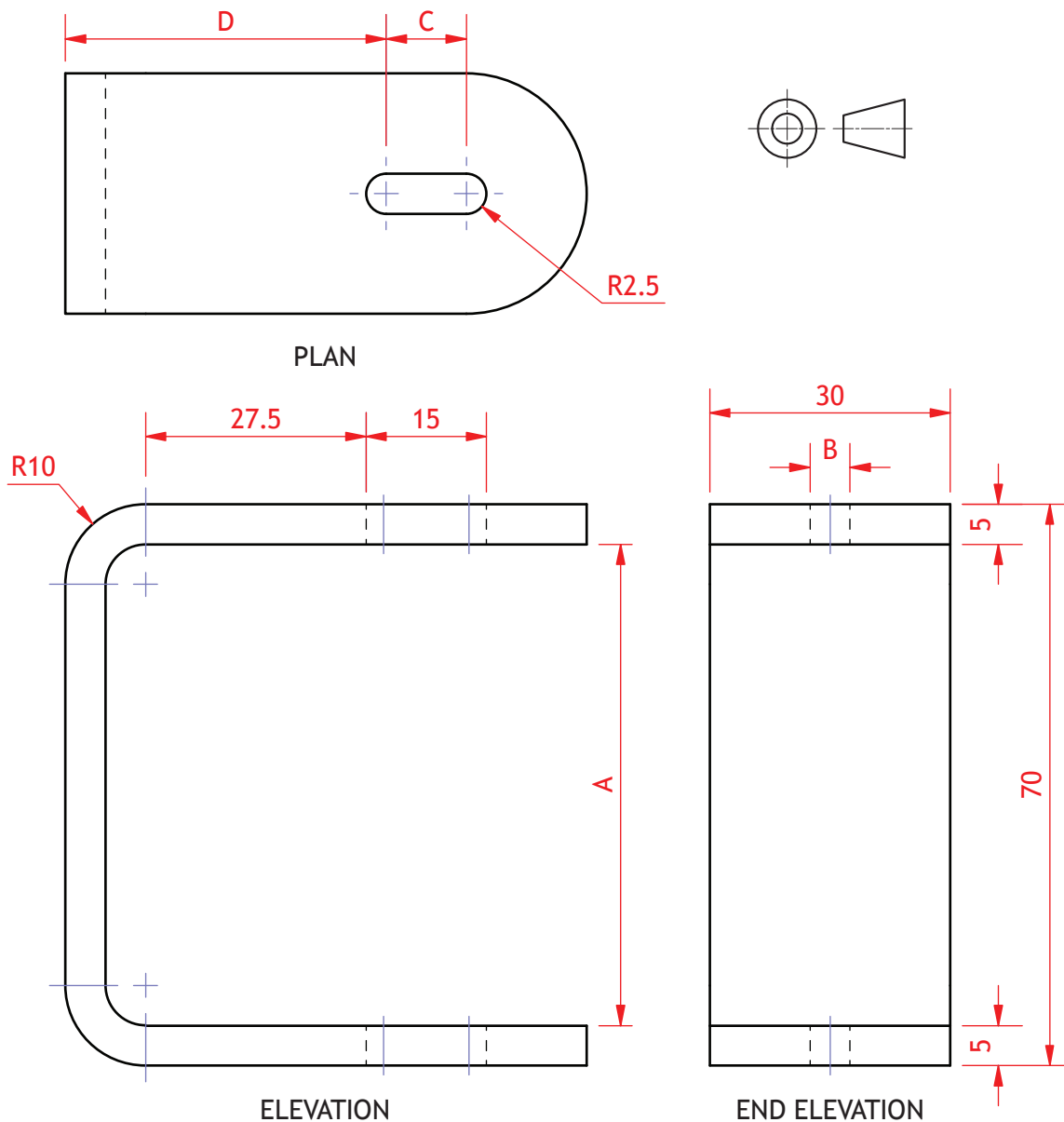
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6. (continued)

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An updated orthographic drawing of another component from the bottle holder is shown below.



(f) Calculate the missing dimensions, A to D, from the orthographic drawing.

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A = _____ mm

B = _____ mm

C = _____ mm

D = _____ mm

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