Referencing Images

APA (6th ed.)

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Figure 2. Pencil drawing of face highlighting proportion and shading. [Untitled drawing]. Retrieved from http://www.theaccidentalartist.com/content/drawing/drawing-faces-beginners

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