SETUP + RIM
1. Mark height + width of rim (horizontal axis is midway)
2. Mark other height + relate every distance to the height of rim. *H*
3. Draw Rim + teashape. Rim + teashape made up of 2 different arcs. Add rim thickness.

CUP
4. Imagine ellipse of feet of cup. Draw what you see
5. Draw shape of cup as you see it
6. Draw handle. Compare with cup you have drawn. Compare with cup + trim shapes

SAUCER
7. The tricky part!
8. 3 important solid points: a, b, c, etc. handle is great reference point. Imagine hidden part of saucer
9. Make sure widest part of saucer d is midway between e, f, g
10. Draw saucer with solid lines connecting points.

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TWO STANDARD VIEWS
A. The teacup you are drinking from. The cup is foreshortened. *The rim + saucer ellipses are almost circles.
B. Your friend's teacup on the other side of the table. You can see the cup shape. Rim and saucer are foreshortened. Can you see underside of saucer?

EMBRACE THE WONKINESS
Wonky circles + ellipses are a fact of life

Make strong lines - just keep going. Details, color, shadow will pull it together. And... don't forget to drink the tea while it is hot.