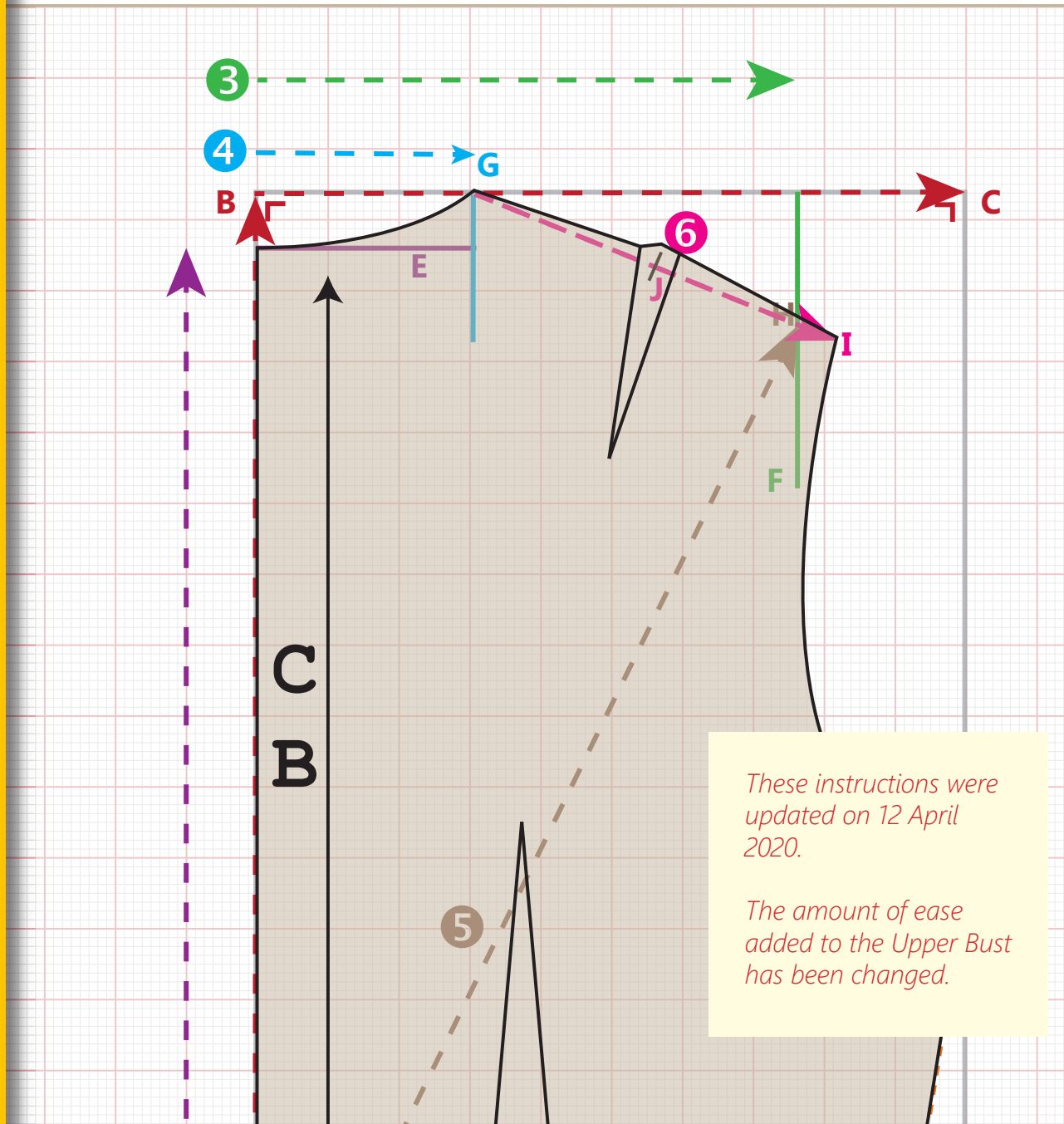


Instructions: Bodice Block BACK



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These instructions were updated on 12 April 2020.

The amount of ease added to the Upper Bust has been changed.

FIGURE 1:

- 1 **FULL LENGTH BACK:** from A to B. **UPPER-BUST ARC:** from B to C (Upper-Bust divided by 4 + 1.25 inches ease).
Finish the rectangle, labelling points C & D as shown.
- 2 **CENTRE BACK LENGTH:** Measure up from A on the A~B line. Draw a line inwards 3 inches long and label it E.
- 3 **ACROSS SHOULDER:** Measure across from from B on the B~C line. Draw a line down at right angles, label it F.
- 4 **BACK NECK:** Measure across from B on the B~C line. Mark this G and draw a line down at right angles from G.
- 5 **SHOULDER SLOPE BACK:** Measure up from A to meet the line F so that it touches the line, mark this point H.
- 6 **SHOULDER LENGTH + 0.5 in (dart):** Measure from the G to meet/cross the point H. Mark the end point I. Place a mark half way on the shoulder length (halfway between G and I) and label it J.
- 7 **CENTRE FRONT TO SIDE SEAM:** From A measure (Waist divided by 4) +(1.25 inches dart) + (0.25 inch ease). Measure down 3/16 inch, at right angles to the A~D line. Mark this point K.
- 8 **SIDE SEAM LENGTH:** Measure up from J to touch the line D. Mark this L. Draw from L at right angles to the L~K line.

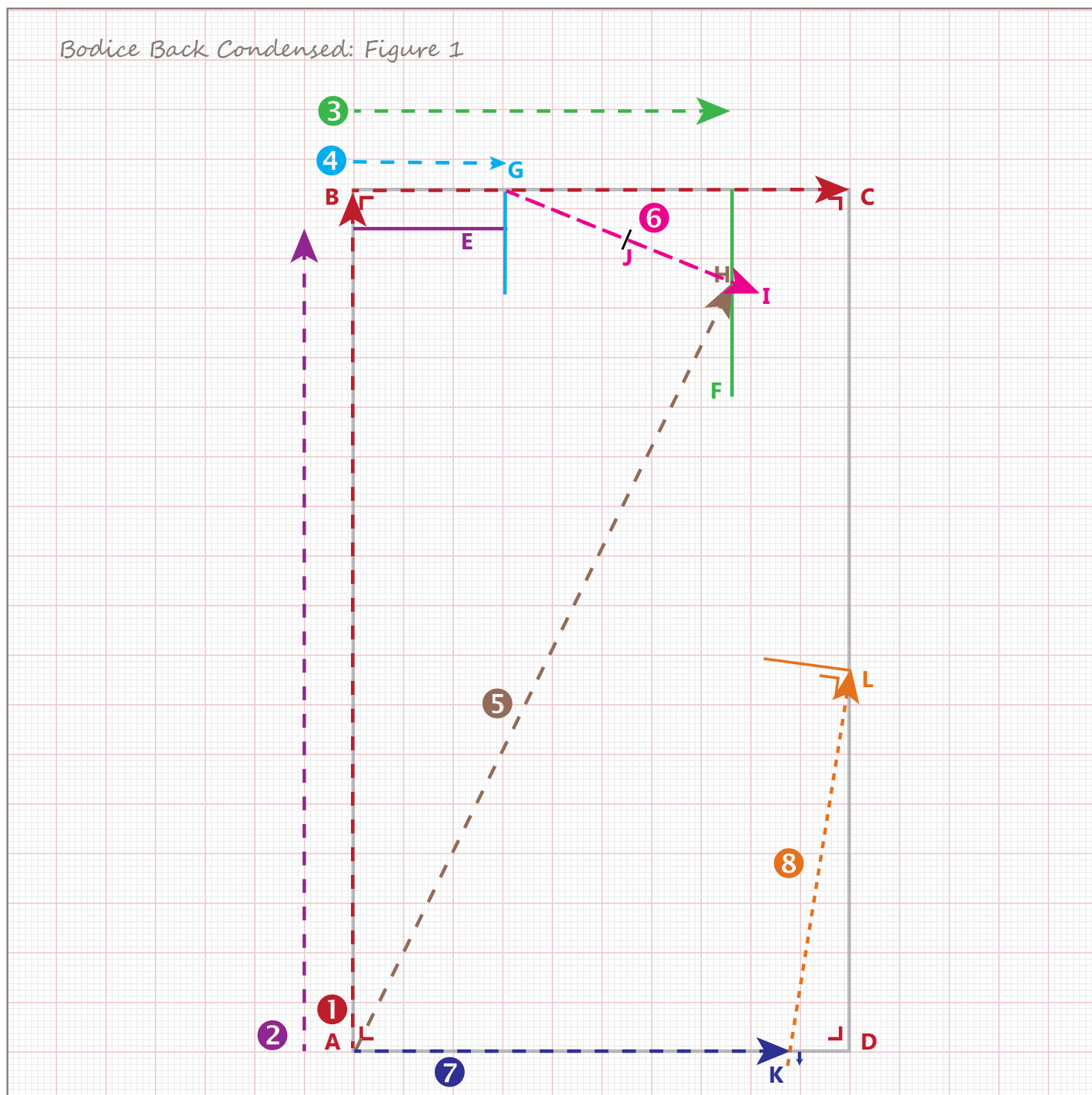


FIGURE 2:

- 9 PLACEMENT OF ACROSS CHEST:** Quarter of *Centre Back* measurement. Measure down from the line E. Mark this point M.
- 10 ACROSS CHEST:** Measure across from M (at right angles to the A~B line) and mark the end point N.
- 11 NECKLINE:** Draw curve to touch G and the line E where it touches the Centre Back.
- 12 ARMHOLE:** Draw a curve to touch I, N & L.
- 13 DART PLACEMENT:** Measure from A on the A~D line. Mark the end point O.
- 14 DART VALUE:** Measure 1.25 inches across from O and mark with an P. Mark the halfway point of the dart.
- 15 DART LENGTH:** The Dart Length is the Side Seam Length + 0.5 inch. Measure up from the mid-dart point made in the previous step. Mark this dart point with a Q.

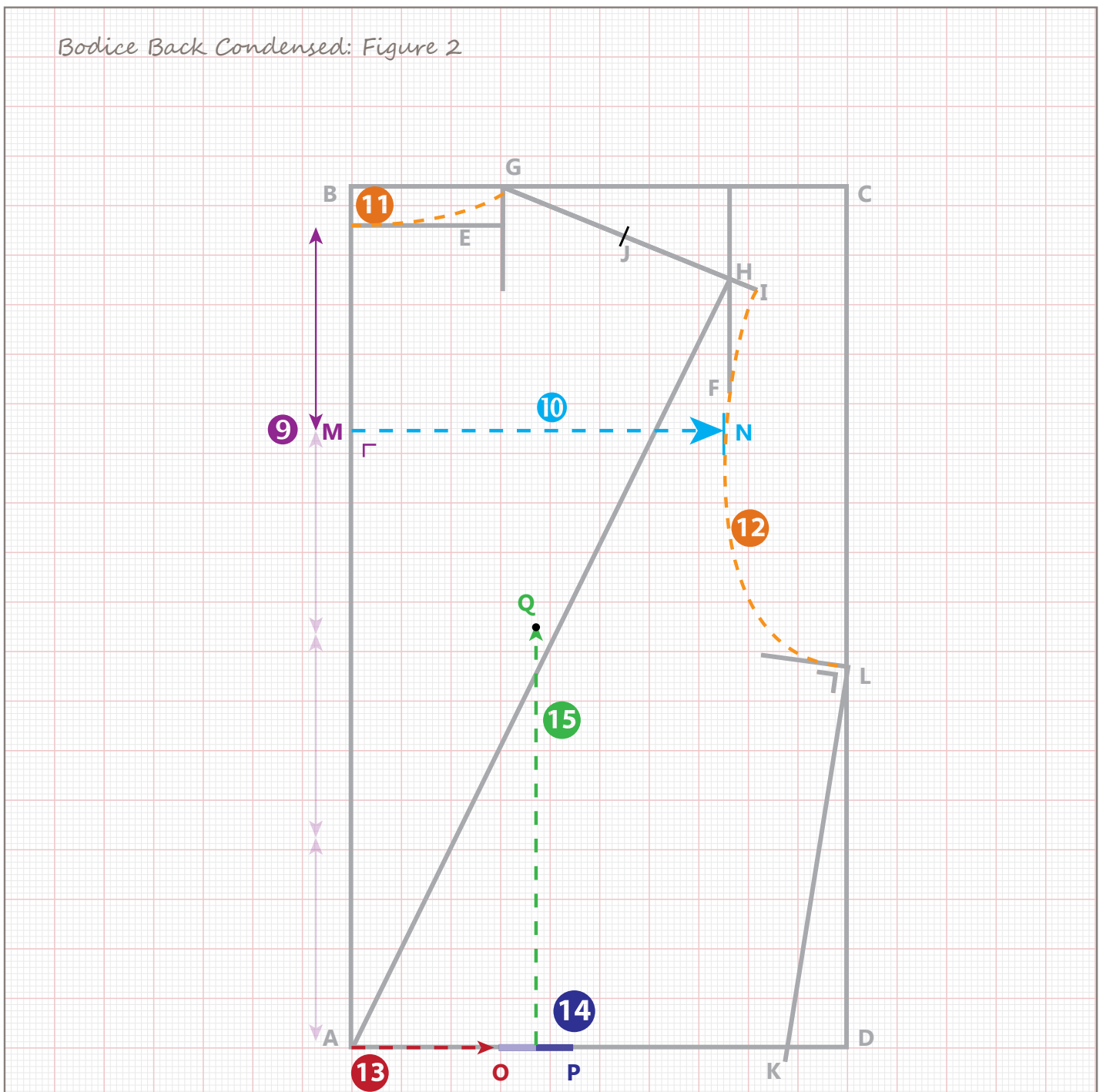


FIGURE 3:

- 16 DRAW THE DART LEGS:** Draw dart leg from Q to O and then extend it $\frac{1}{8}$ inch below the A~D line. Draw the other dart leg from Q to P and extend $\frac{1}{8}$ inch. O & P will now refer to the end points of the darts, $\frac{1}{8}$ " below the waist/
- 17 EXTEND THE MID-DART** line down below the A~D (waist) line about .75 inch.
- 18 DRAW THE WAIST CURVE.** Draw a curved line from K to P and extend the curve to touch the mid dart line. Draw a reflection of that curve back to O. Draw a curved line from O to A to finish off the waist.**
- 19 SHOULDER DART GUIDE:** Draw a (dashed) guide-line from J (the mid-shoulder mark) to the waist dart point Q.
- 20 SHOULDER DART LENGTH:** Draw a line 3 inches long from J towards Q on the guide made in the previous step.

*** You may have to move the French Curve, draw a another line and then blend the two lines.

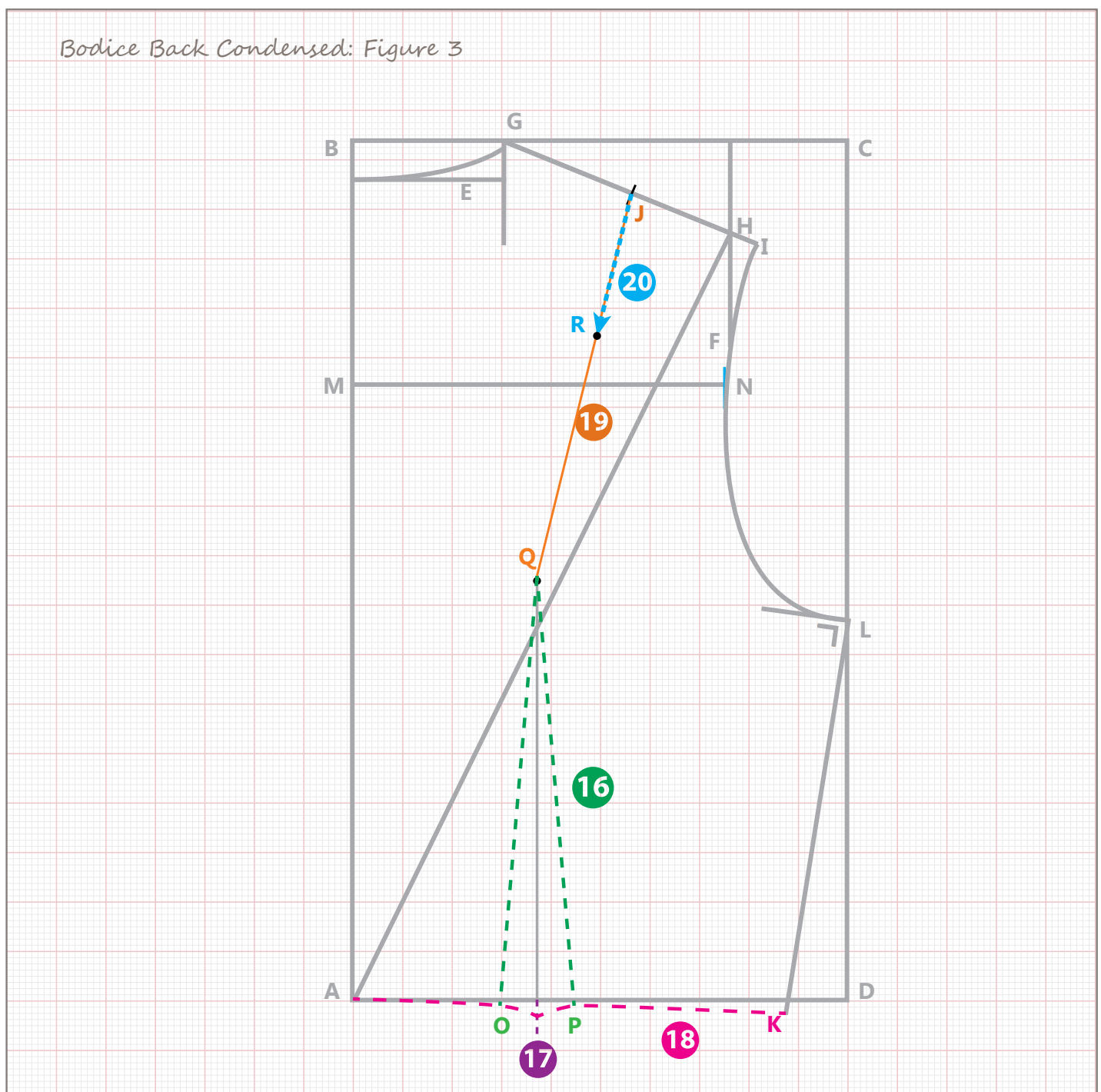


FIGURE 4:

- 21 SHOULDER DART.** Measure a dart 0.5 inches wide on the G~I line, with the point J as the centre. Label the edges S and T as shown. Draw a line from R through S, extending it 1/8 inch past the G~I line. Mark this U. Measure this line and draw the other dart leg - the same length - from Q through T. Mark the end point V.
- 22 EXTEND THE MID-DART LINE** (from R through J) for or a inch or so. Mark this line W.
- 23 DRAW THE SHOULDER LINE:** Draw from I to touch V and continue until it reaches the mid-dart line W. Draw a line from the mid-dart line down to U, and then from U to G to complete the shoulder line.

** Read the article on the website about *Curving the Waist*.

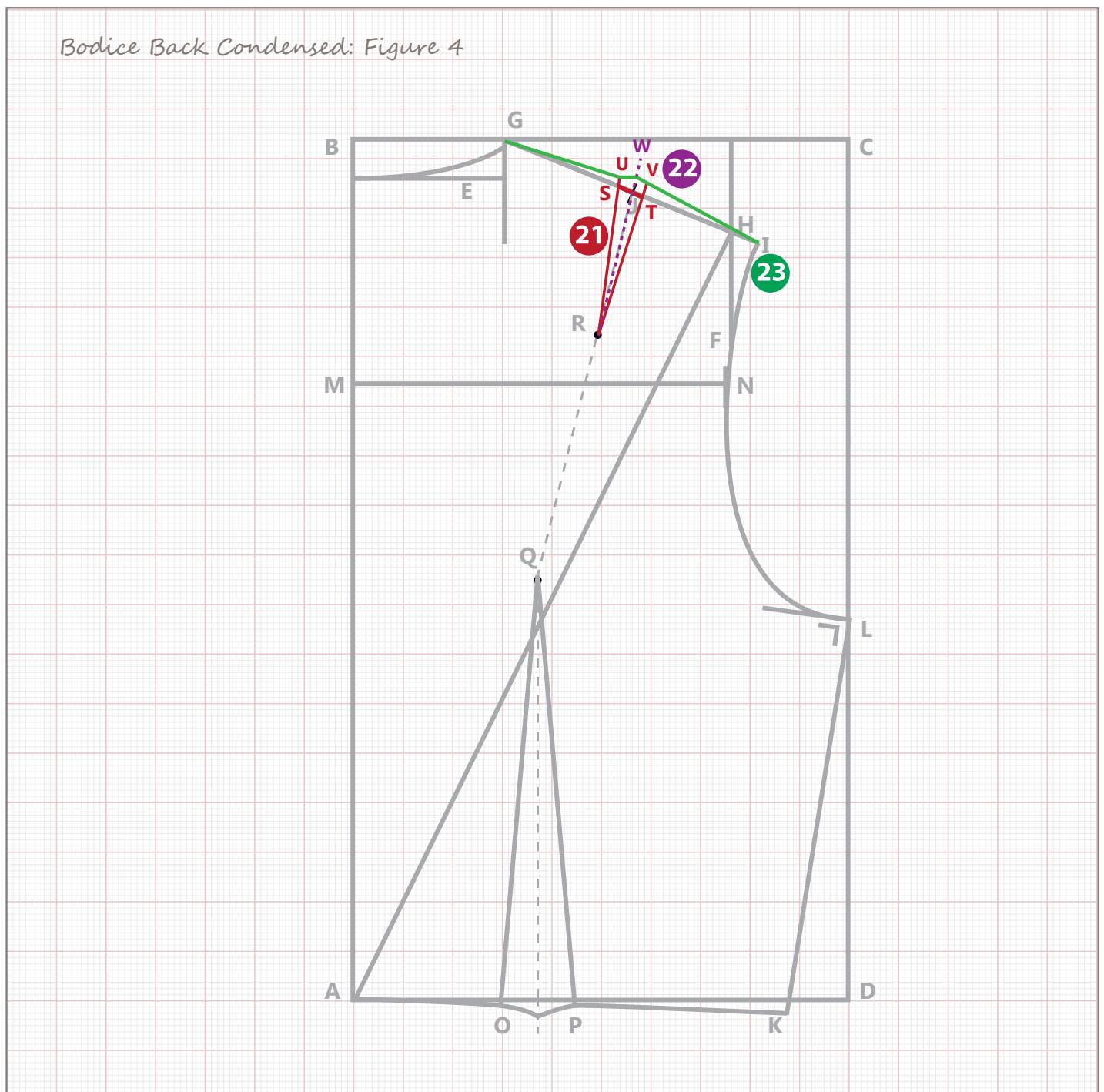


FIGURE 5:

Your Block is finished:

- Mark the CB line
- Label the block
- Cut it out
- Pierce holes in both dart points
- Notch the waist dart and shoulder darts

