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Basic Throwing

Figure 3.4 THROWING



 a. Basic throwing: After centering and wheel-wedging, form a dimple and apply water.



 b. Penetrate the lump to create a V-shaped opening.



c. Widen the bottom using the "claw" motion, and compress the bottom.



d. Begin lifting the walls.



e. Maintain firm, even pressure and steady upwards movement.



f. Stop lifting just shy of the rim.



g. Compress the rim.



h. Begin second lift, pressing into the clay at the base.



i. Continue lifting slowly and steadily up to the rim.



j. Repeat with the third lift.



k. Begin shaping the vessel as you lift.



I. Think about the shape as you follow through.