

CHRISTMAS COMIC STORIES

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Download now the Museum's Comic E-Book, turn on your imagination and become the illustrator of the year

what will be your new story?





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The little Gnomes are coming these holidays and they are ready for new Christmas adventures! Let's write our new comic story!

Let's remember again the 5 basic steps of the illustrator!



The illustrator first thinks about his story!

Who are the heroes? Where are they? What are they talking about? The illustrator usually writes the story on a simple piece of paper so he can correct anything he wants. What is our story?



Once everything is ready, the illustrator draws the comic strips!

Yes, you're right! Comic strips are these square frames where you see inside the heroes with their words. Find out through our Comic E-Book's pages the comic strips and choose the ones you like the best. Print them and draw the heroes in each frame. In what order will you draw them? Where are they? What does the landscape look like?



After writing the story, he draws his heroes.

What do our characters look like? Find the Christmas heroes in our Comic E-Book below and choose the ones that fit our story. Don't forget the most important thing of all: you can draw them as you wish or even imagine your own hero! What name would you give him/her?



Now, it's time to draw the bubbles!

Yes, you heard it right! Although they are very similar to the sky's clouds, the "bubbles" are drawn over the heroes' heads and the illustrator writes their words and thoughts on them. Even all the sounds in comics are inside a balloon! Read our story and think: what do the heroes say to each other? who speaks in each frame? who is thinking? Draw as many balloons as the words of the heroes.



Find out now a little secret of the illustrator, so we don't miss our... comic!

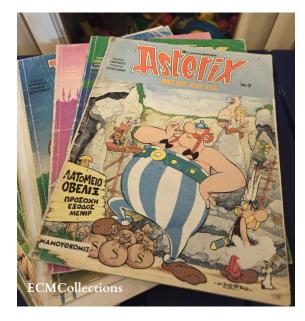
The illustrator usually writes the stories strip by strip. After drawing everything, he starts putting them in the right order. On many occasions he can draw another strip or even delete one, depending on the plot. So, what are we going to do now?

Print the strips you have chosen as many times as you want and cut them according to their shape. Draw, now, in each strip the landscape, the heroes and their balloons following to our story's events. Lay them all down on a table or on the floor and put them in order, like a puzzle. Which strip is the beginning of our story? Which scene did we forget to draw? How many balloons are we missing?

After you put all the strips in order your comic-book Christmas story is ready! You can stick it on paper or even in a notebook and read it to your family and to your friends! How can we make the cover of our comic book now?

EXAMPLES





Comics from the Museum's collection!





Did you know that...

- the 25th of September is the National Comic Book Day?
- the first comic in Greece was published in the middle of the 19th century?
- Exploration Children's Museum has more than 1500 comics in its collection?





CHARACTERS

Cut out and glue the characters or draw, paint and cut out your own unique characters!

The choice is yours!



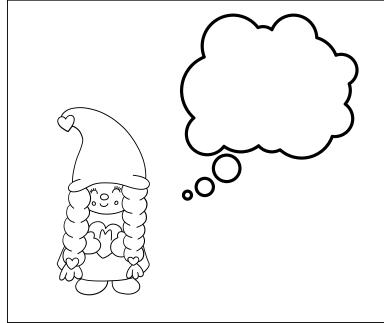
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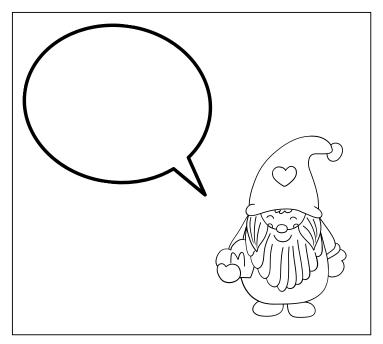
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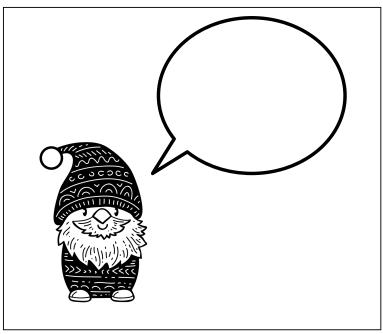
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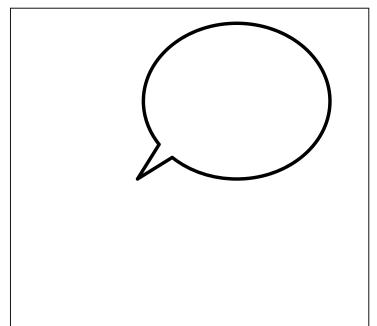


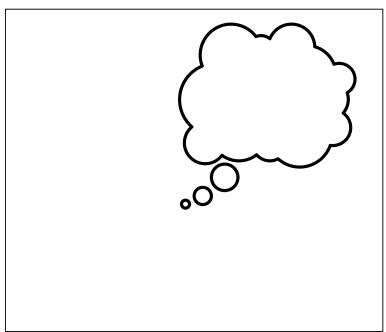
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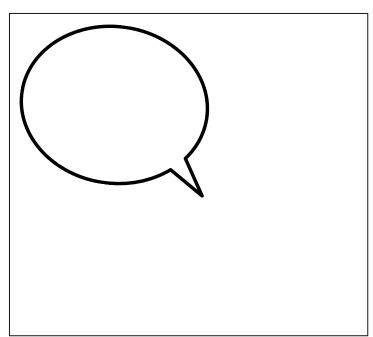
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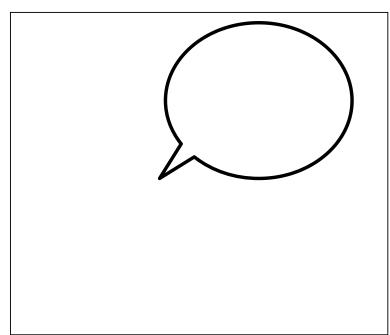
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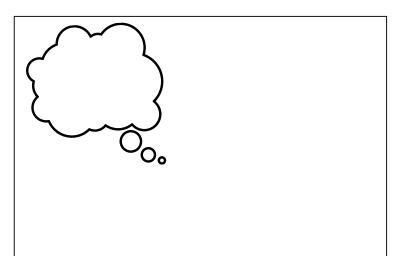


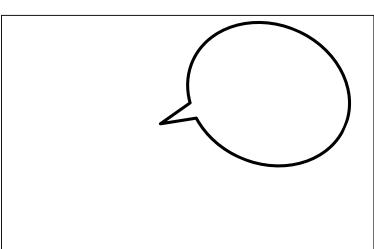
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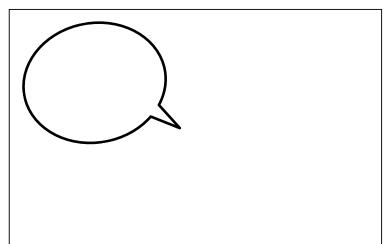
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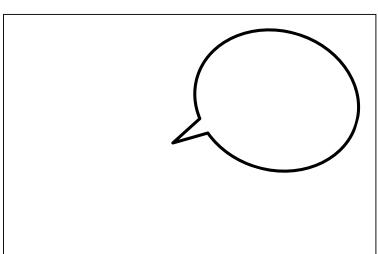
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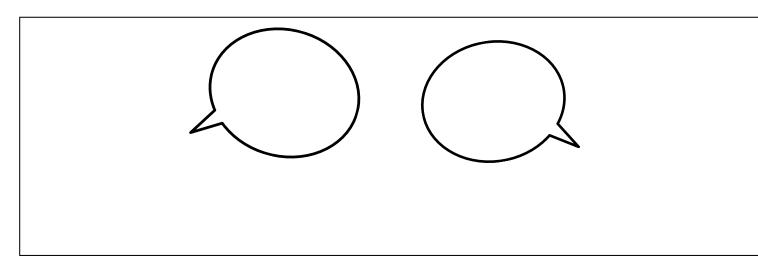
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Don't forget to take a photo of your comic and to send it to the Museum.







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We will be very happy to read your Christmas comic stories!

Happy drawing!





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