

## Exercise Instructions

If you want to experiment with how different styles of layout can influence your storytelling, this exercise is for you!

This can be done alone or with friends.

1. Choose a layout from one of the worksheets.
2. Choose a prompt from the list of prompts (or make your own).
3. Set a 20-30 minute timer & create a comic based on the prompt with the layout you selected.

### **Variation #1:**

Just say you choose a 4 panel layout for your first pass at this project, try the exercise again using the same prompt and a layout with more or fewer panels (so either a layout with 3, 5, or 6 panels) and see how that changes how you create the comic.

### **Variation #2:**

With a group of friends, choose layouts with the same number of panels. Using the same prompt, create a comic that fills out your layout. Compare and contrast with your friends to see how each of you interprets the prompt differently!

### **Variation #3:**

Want to try something a little different? Rotate any of the layouts 90 degrees and you have a completely new page layout. How will it inspire you?

## List of Prompts

Two cats becoming friends

Someone and their collection of seashells

The tooth fairy giving a tour of her castle made of teeth

Racoons digging through the trash

An island full of dogs

Your dream vacation

The princess of the insect kingdom

A mouse on an adventure

The best gardener in all the land

A giant centipede

Skateboarding dog

A tiny giraffe

A hamster in a business meeting

Cake decorating competition

The biggest butterfly you've ever seen

A flock of seagulls stealing ice cream

A wizard making a magic potion

On octopus' tea party

The court jester of the cloud kingdom

A vampire on vacation

The most fabulous party

A sad tree

An angry rain cloud

A dragon and a knight hanging out

A message in a bottle

The discovery of a hidden treasure