


Before You Get Started . . .

Many of the activities in this book let you fill in talk and thought balloons to complete comics. You'll also have the chance to draw comics of your own. Whenever you see this logo  start drawing.

If you don't think you can create the kind of detailed drawings you might see in some comic books, don't worry. Creating comics is all about finding the style that's right for you. You can make really complex drawings to tell your stories if you want, but simple illustrations are okay, too.

Like this guy, who we'll call Mister Mustache, and his dog, Buster:

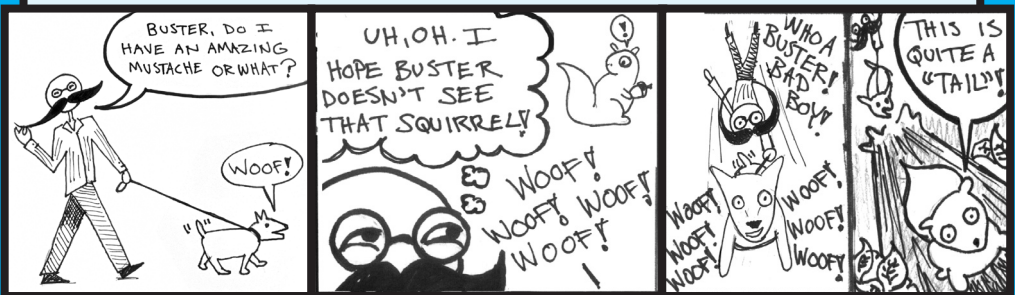
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Once you have your first scene, the next step is pretty simple . . . just make something happen. It can be anything you want. Like maybe Mister Mustache and Buster walk by a squirrel eating nuts in the park. What do you think will happen next?



That's all it takes. Once you begin a comic strip, you can make it go wherever you like. If you're lucky, your story might even take on a life of its own.



Disclaimer: Your comic strip stories can be a lot less corny than this one! Remember, just use your imagination!