

**Cartoons Comics  
graphic novels**

**done by  
STUDENTS?!**

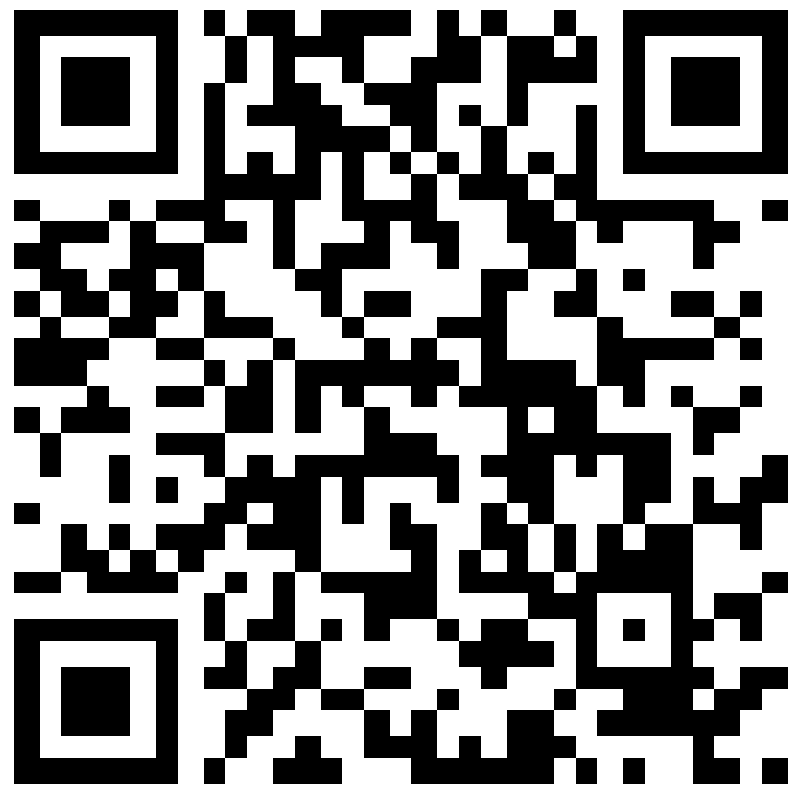



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**What is the most popular genre  
for students in K-12 schools?**






Are they works  
of art?

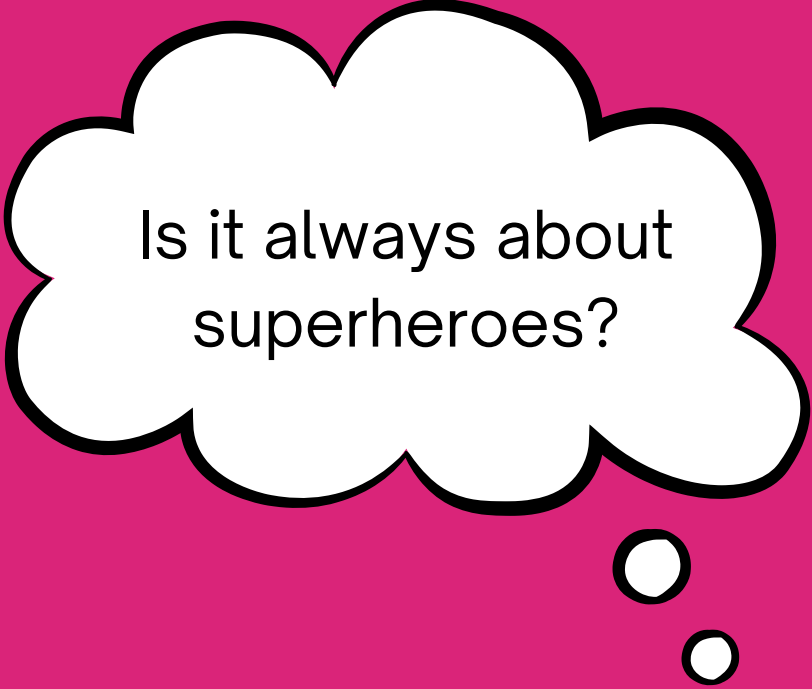


Can I work with a  
partner?

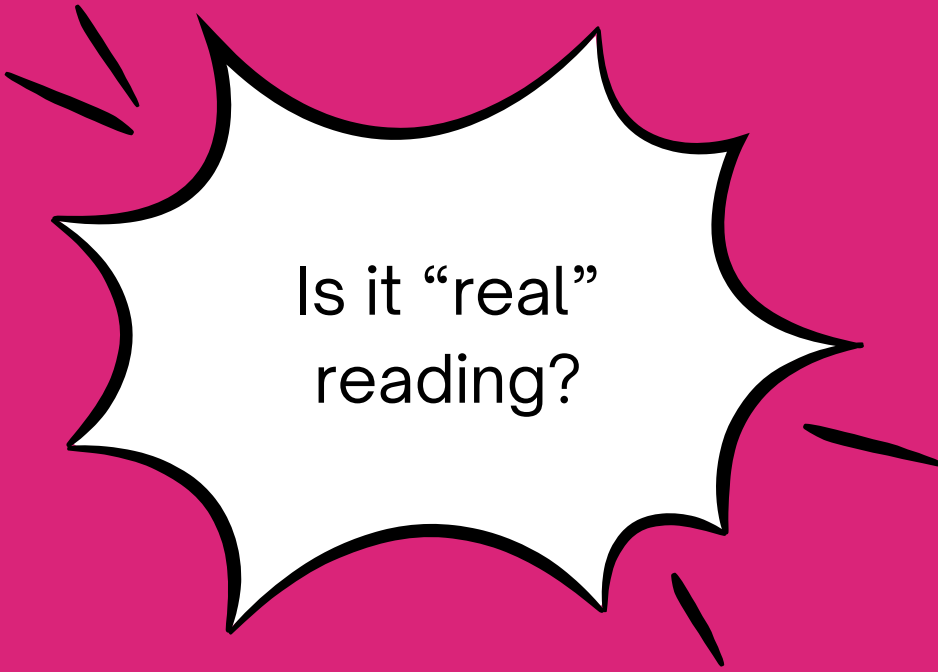


Can I use  
violence?


# QUESTIONS WE ENCOUNTER



Is it always about  
superheroes?



Is it “real”  
reading?



Will we be  
graded on  
this?

# The Art of Storytelling



Student Showcase

&

Interactive Cartoon Panel Strip



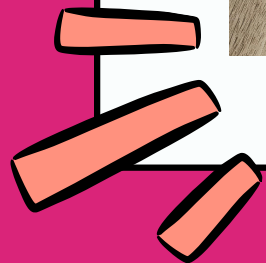
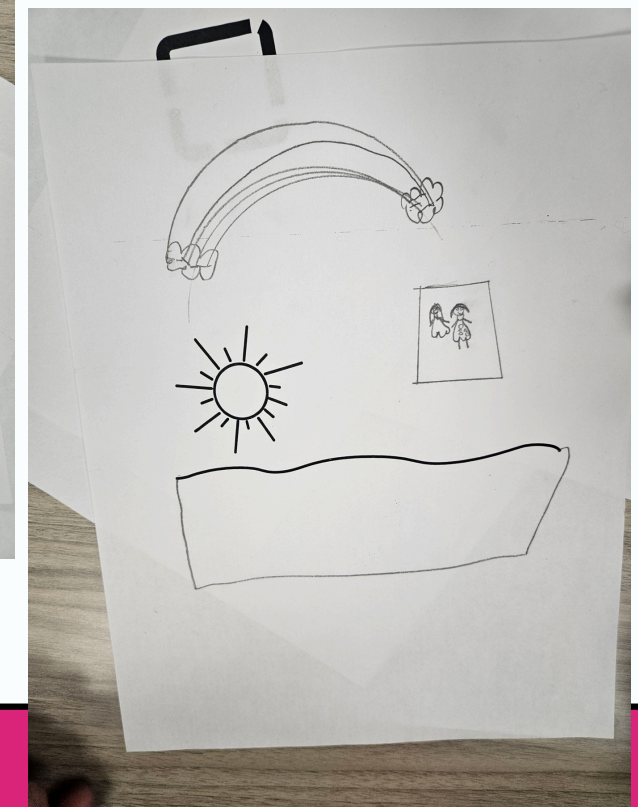
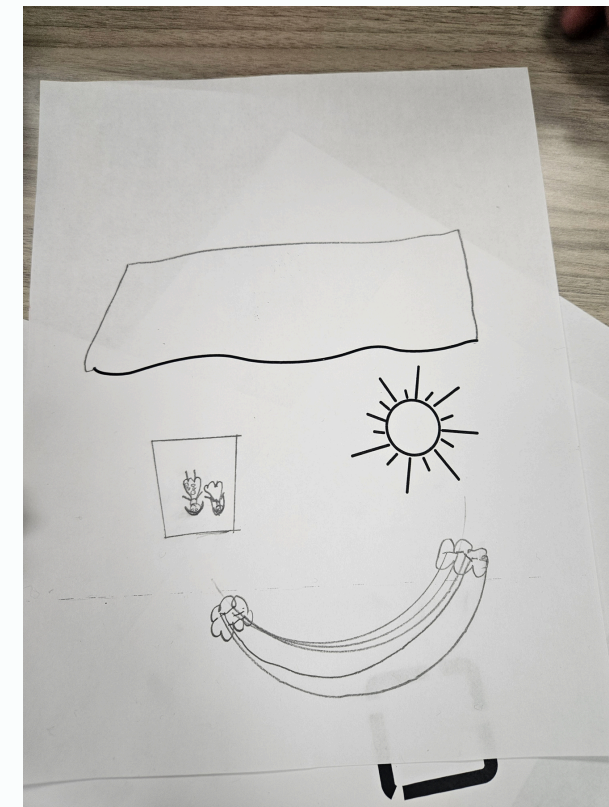
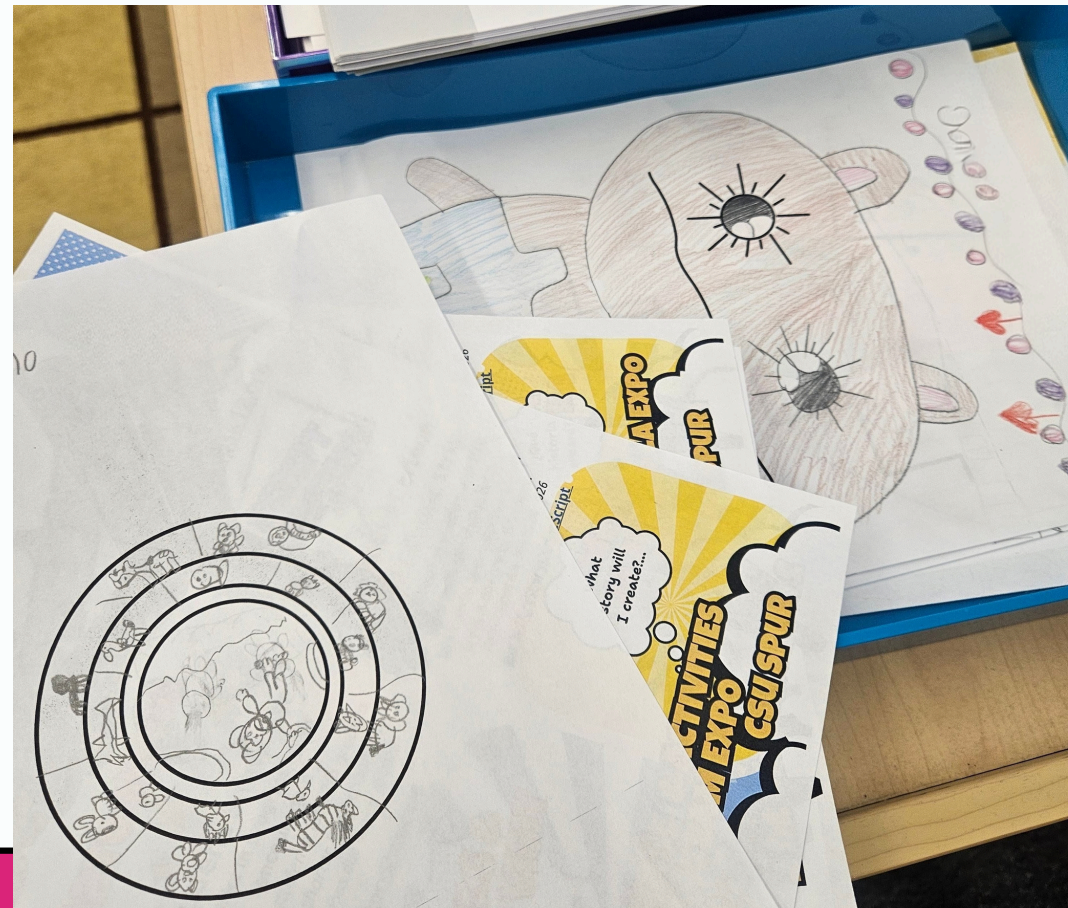
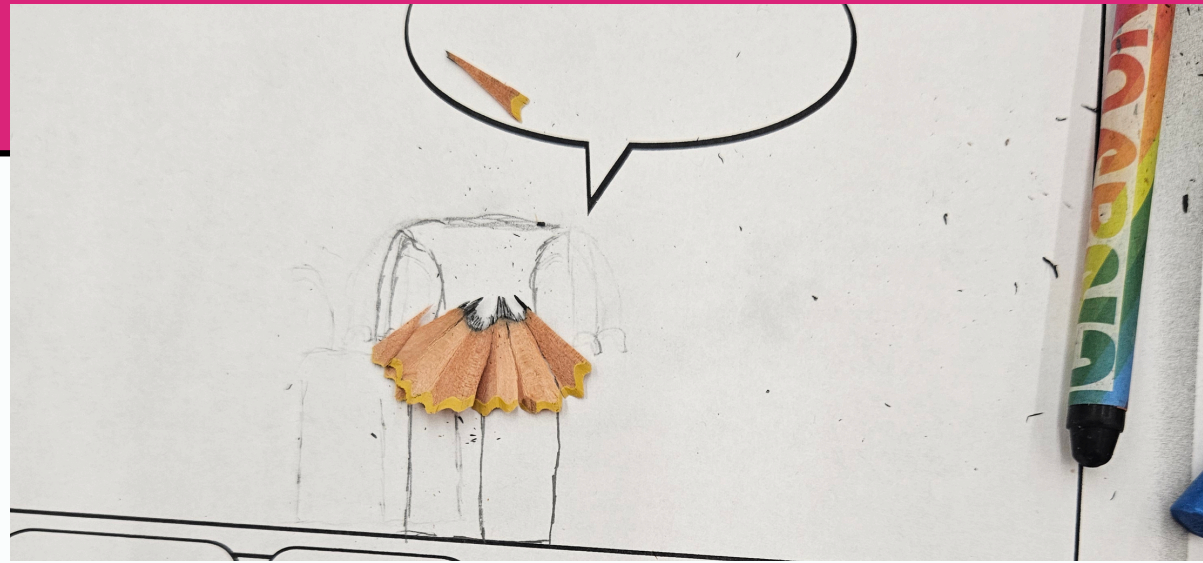
# Collaboration is key

**Units & Drop ins**  
**Author Visits**



# ACTIVITY 1

## Finish the Scribble





# ACTIVITY 2



## Storytelling components



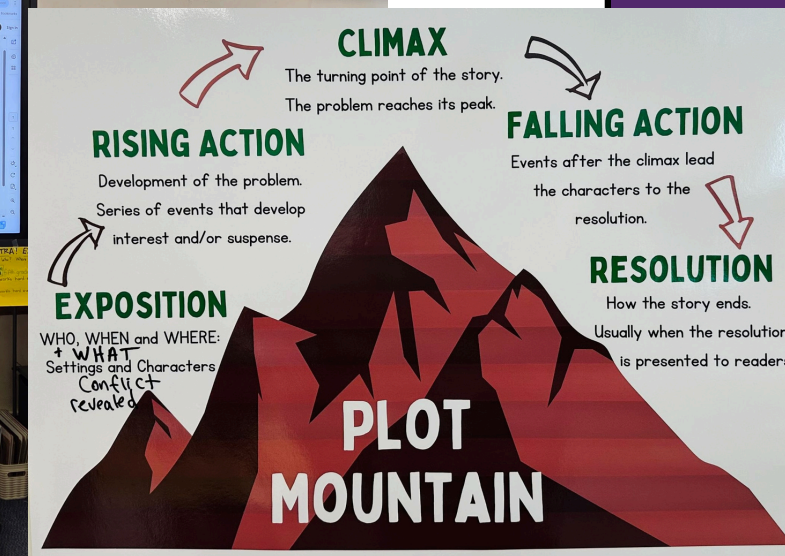
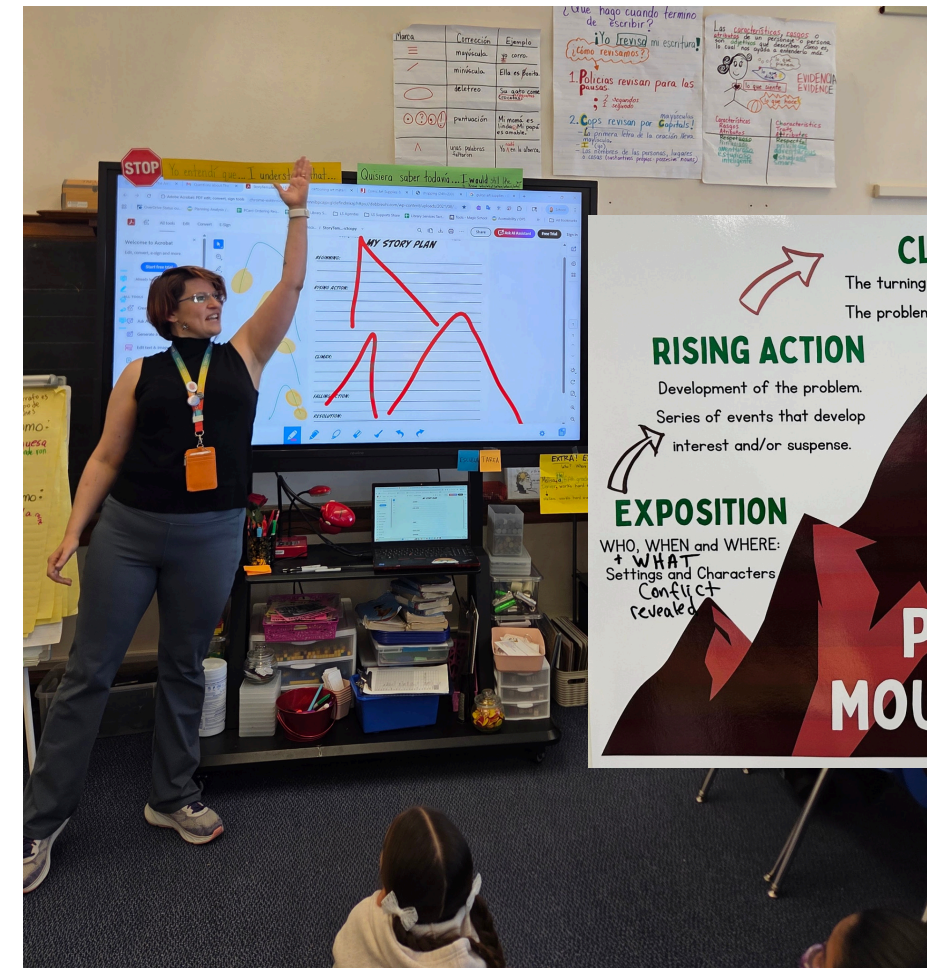
How do you make a story?

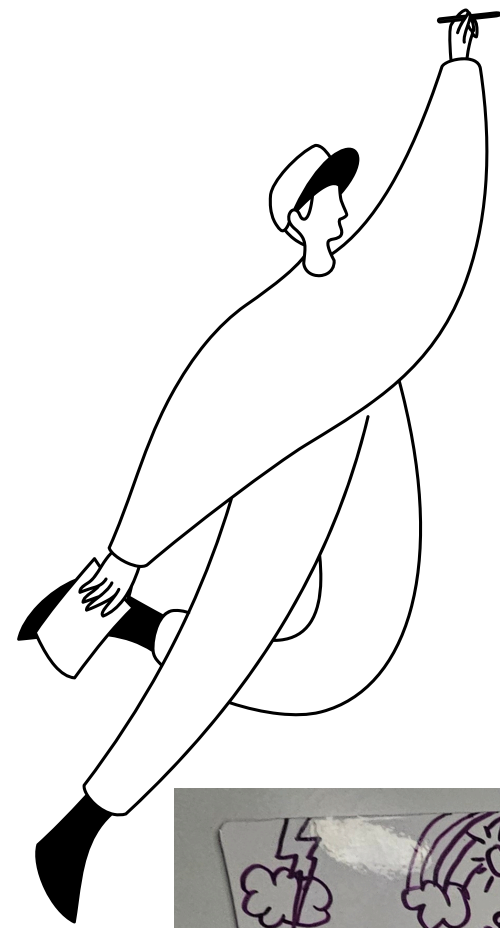


What makes a “good” story?



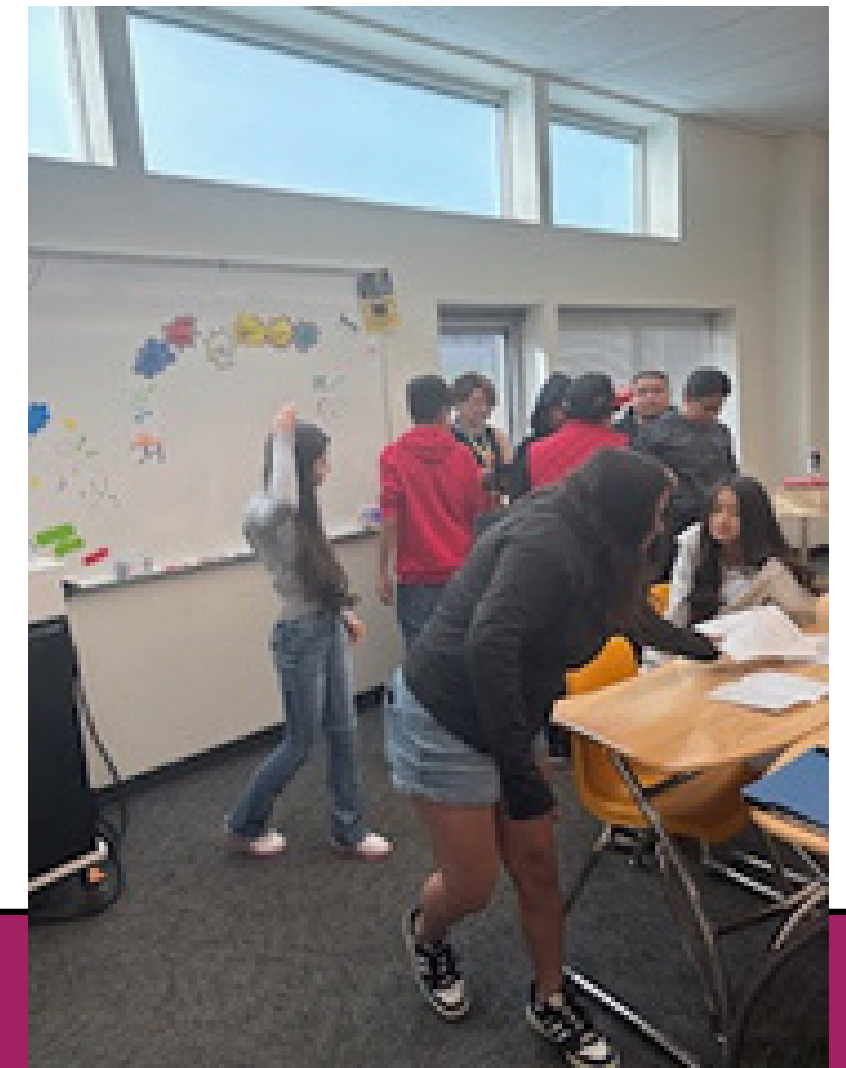
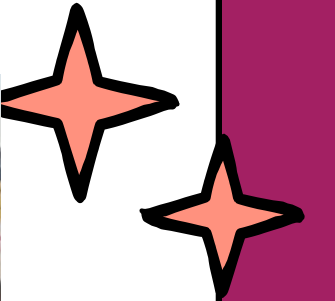
Go from Writing-Only to Drawing in the Panels





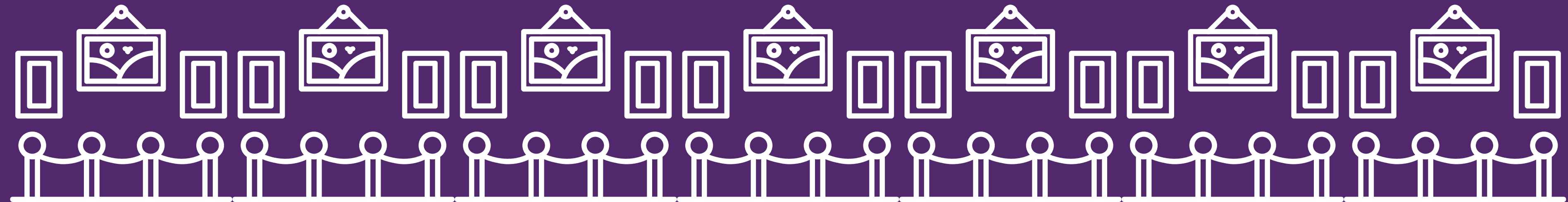
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Improv / Interactive Comic Making

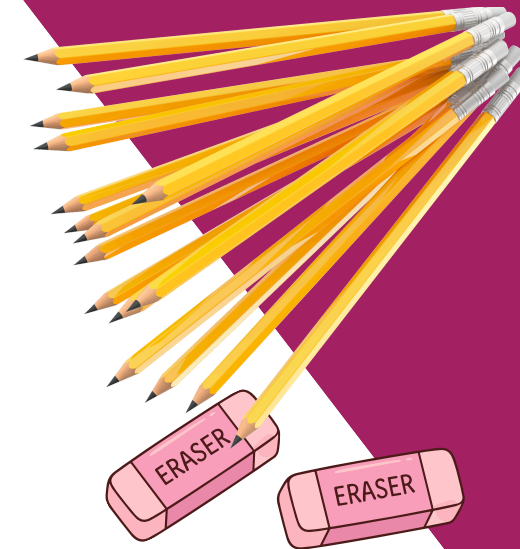


# SHOWCASE @ STEAM EXPO

slideshow



# Resources, Supplies, & Keeping Organized



[Make a plan for the year](#)

[Art of Storytelling Living Document – guidelines, submission form, activities](#)

**ADVERTISE**

Flyers: Print and send to schools. (papercuts and sharpies)  
LMS (Schoology, Google Classroom, etc.)

[Canva design](#)  
PDFs and PNGs  
- use **both!**

**Call the  
Communications  
Department!!**

Media coverage, [PR](#), [News releases](#)

Not just for librarians -  
Art, Literacy, & GT Teachers  
are allies -  
Colleagues are cheerleaders

# More resources - trying these

[Interactive Comic prompts](#)  
[Grimace Project](#)



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