

Cloverbuds: Good Vibrations: The Science of Sound

Things to Try at Home

Storyboard Funny

Materials:

- Several storyboard pattern sheets
- Colored markers or pencils
- Several favorite books

What to do:

- Choose a favorite story to read together.
- All stories have a beginning, middle, and end. In the book you just read together, find the beginning, middle, and end of the story.
- Many authors and moviemakers use storyboards to map out the beginning, middle, and end of their book or movie. Each box is a picture or scene and the lines next to the box describe the picture or tell a part of the story. Comics are a fancy form of a storyboard that is fun to read in a newspaper.
- Optional: for practice create a simple storyboard of the beginning, middle and end of a favorite story using the storyboard pattern.
- Think of a funny event that happened this week and share it with each other. You just told a story. Think about what the beginning, middle and end of your story is.
- Use the storyboard pattern to make a storyboard of your funny story and read it together. Longer stories may need more than one sheet of paper.
- Optional: turn your storyboard into a comic strip. Cut out your picture boxes and glue them onto a long strip of paper.

Talk about:

Storyboards and comic strips often include sound words like the "honk" of a car horn or "woof woof" of a barking dog. These words sound like the noise they describe. You can use sound words like these as "special effects" in your storyboard or comic strip. Are there any sound words in your funny story?