

# YOUR OWN COMIC IN SIX STEPS!

- 1 **Story** What happens in your story? Where does it take place? Who is it about? How does it start and how does it end?
- 2 **Character** What does the star of your story look like? You'll draw them a lot in your comic, so it helps to work out what they look like at the start.
- 3 **Script** Write about the pictures that will make up your comic. Who is in each picture? Where are they? What are they saying and doing?
- 4 **Pencilling** Draw the pictures in pencil, making sure it is clear what is happening. Remember to leave enough room for the words!
- 5 **Lettering** Add the speech balloons, thought bubbles, sound effects and captions.
- 6 **Inking** When you are happy with your drawings go over them in black ink so they stand out more. Don't forget to rub out the pencil lines afterwards.

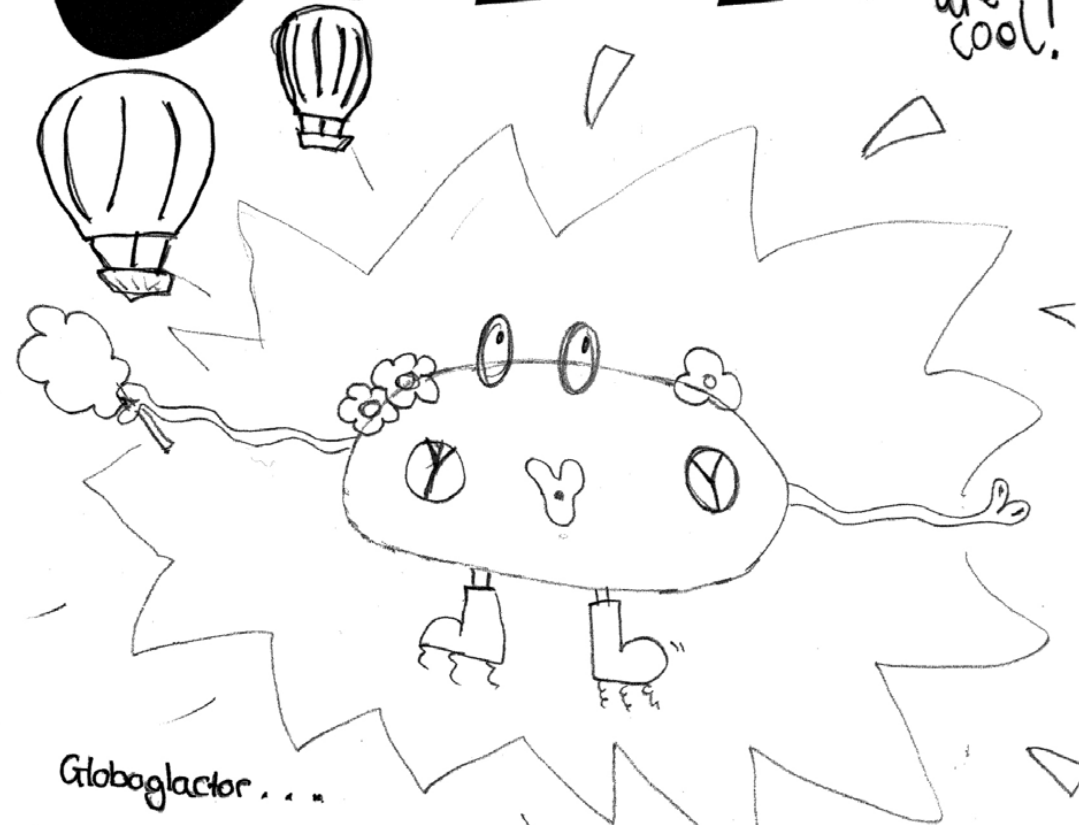
Now you have your own comic! You could colour it in or get it photocopied for other people to read. This is just a guide, showing you one way of making comics. It's up to you how you do your next one!

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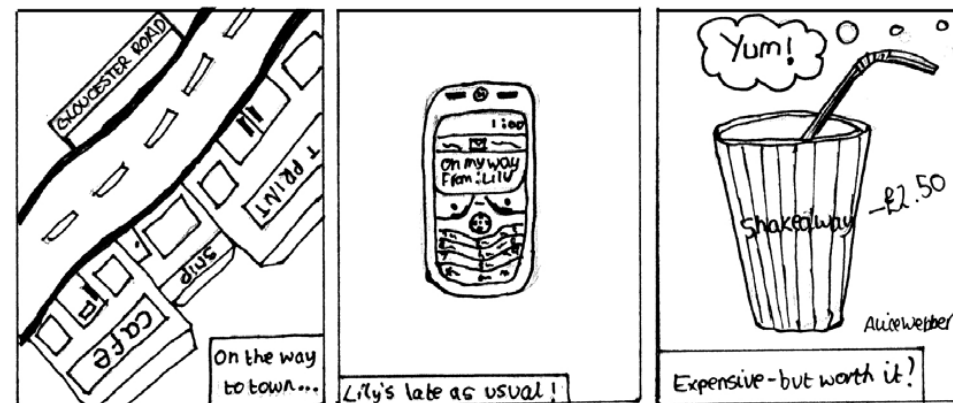
Bristol's first alien visitor!  
and other stories!

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The talented Year 9 students who created this comic hail from different parts of Bristol, so their stories cover a greater area than the immediate vicinity of their school. Different parts of Bristol are covered, from Hannah's description of her neighbourhood street party to Ellie Cameron's story of life in Henleaze or the various strips set in the city centre. Their community is examined from many points of view, including those of dogs, cats, even a visiting alien! Clever use has been made of narrative timeframes. Ellie Edward's time-coded study of comings and goings during one day provides a nice contrast with Emma's strip, which manages to compress thousands of years of Bristol's history into just three pictures. There is a lot to enjoy in the following pages, and the students' achievement is all the more impressive considering the entire comic was produced in only two hours.

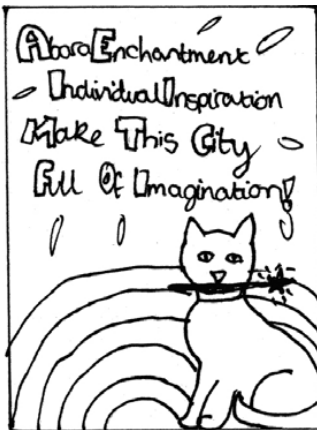


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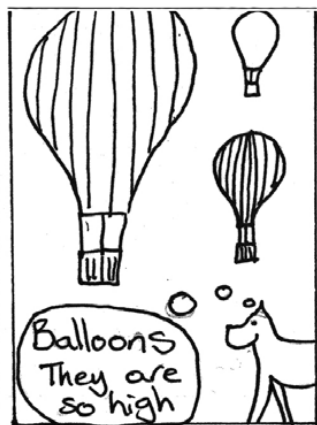




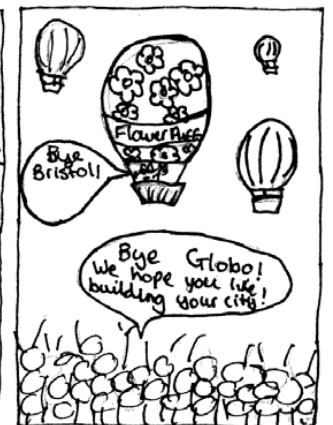
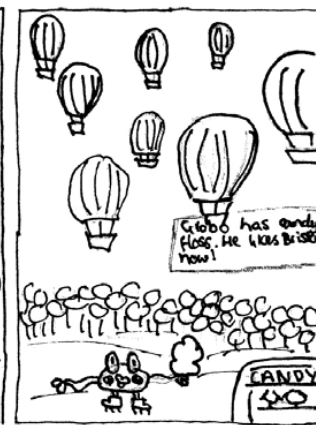
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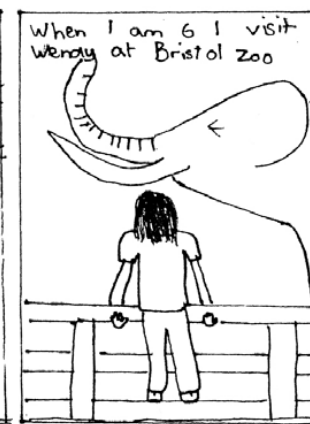
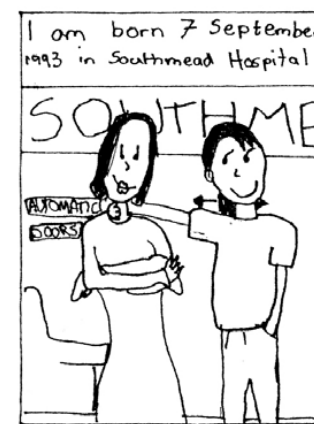
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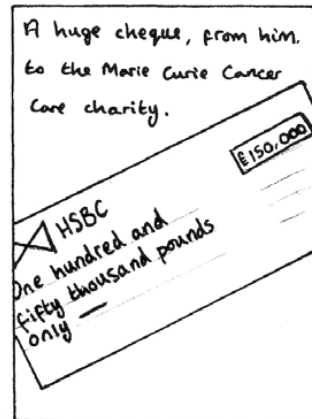
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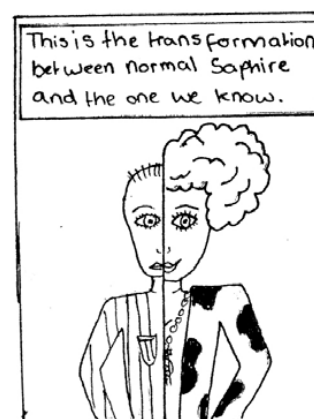
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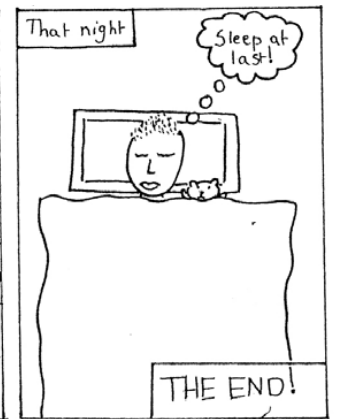
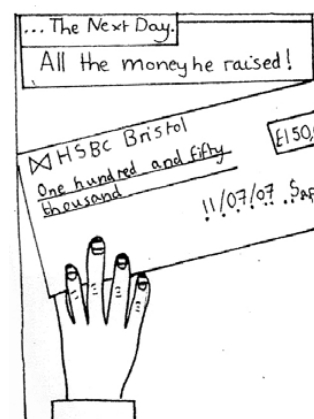
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