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**Course Title:** LEARN HOW TO DRAW COMICS

**Age Group:** Grades 5-6

**Course Description:** How to tell stories through drawing

**Materials provided:** pencils, erasers, rulers, 8.5x11" paper and bristol board

The workshop will include:

1. Drawing the human head, people's different emotions and expressions (happy, sad, angry, sleepy, surprised, etc). Learn to draw different kinds of faces, ages (babies, kids, grown-ups and senior citizens) and hairstyles.
2. Drawing the human body, how to show emotions through body language. Learn to draw different clothing styles and different professions (such as athlete, dancer, firefighter, doctor).
3. Drawing different animals. We will learn all kinds, including dogs, horses, dinosaurs, dragons, and many more!
4. Drawing different backgrounds, seasons and settings. For example: outer space, underwater, the beach, a cold winter's day, the desert. How to give a sense of place and time through backgrounds. Drawing different points of view, close-ups, bird's and worm's eye view.
5. How to use a ruler to draw comic panels and borders, how to do comic book lettering, word balloons and sound effects (or SFX).
6. Games including Pictionary, Fill in the Missing Panel, Animal Combinations
7. How to draw your own comic page using all the things we learned earlier in the course. First we will talk about the importance of telling a story and how it is used everywhere. Next you will script your own 1-page story and then do thumbnails and breakdowns. We will be doing the finished art on bristol (hard paper).
8. For those who have time, you can begin to colour your comics using coloured pencils (no markers). We will finish up our project and in the final 15 minutes we will put it on the wall like at an art gallery. Congratulations!