

CHARACTER ILLUSTRATION: KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER

Throughout this project you will learn about the processes and techniques that illustrators and cartoonists employ to create anthropomorphic characters. How to reflect on your own distinctive features before designing your own cartoon characters.



Rationale:
 We want you to become familiar with the work and careers of Illustrators & cartoonists. Through these investigations you will explore different styles of drawing; application of line; colour choices & blending. Your final outcomes will rely on imagination and thoughtfulness! We will ask you to expand your knowledge of this topic by reading/watching great examples of animation and experimenting with drawing.



CEAIG: Read these interviews with real illustrators and animators:
<https://characterdesignreferences.com/blog-interviews-5/thibault-leclercq>
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dzibT_SjeoM



Look at this:
<https://characterdesignreferences.com/art-of-animation-7/art-of-zootopia-part-1>
<http://jimmedway.com/comics>

Watch these:
<https://www.bbc.com/culture/article/20180817-the-female-cartoonists-who-draw-for-change>
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b006mhc1/arthur>

Try this:
<https://justsketch.me/>
<https://characterdesignreferences.com/character-anatomy>

Key words & Definitions

1	Illustrator	Artist who draws pictures to explain written material
2	Identity	Who a person is, or the qualities of a person or group that make them different from others.
3	Cartoon	A drawing or series of drawings that make people laugh or think.
4	Imagination / Imaginative	The power of the mind to form a an image of something or someone that is not present to the senses.
5	Anthropomorphic	Ascribing/giving human characteristics to something non human.
6	Proportions	The relationship in number or size of two things: ratio
7	Distinctive features	Individual facial features eg/ small nose.
8	Characteristics	Typical or special quality of a person or thing.
9	Animator	A person who creates moving cartoons.
10	Harmonious Colours	Colours that blend well together : near to each other on the colour wheel.
11	Complementary Colours	Colours that are opposite on the colour wheel; they pop next to each other.