

Objective

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to identify and describe story and comic book elements in a fun and engaging way.

Materials and Prep

- Paper and pencil
- Colored pencils or markers

No prior knowledge is required for this lesson. Just come prepared with your creativity and imagination!

Activities

1. Create Your Own Story

Start by brainstorming ideas for your story. Think about the characters, setting, and plot. Once you have your ideas, write your story on the paper. Be sure to include a beginning, middle, and end. Use your colored pencils or markers to illustrate your story.

2. Design a Comic Strip

Think about a funny or exciting situation that you would like to turn into a comic strip. Divide your paper into panels and draw your characters and speech bubbles. Use dialogue and action to tell your story within the comic strip.

3. Share and Discuss

Once you have completed your story and comic strip, share them with a family member or friend. Discuss the story elements you used, such as characters, setting, plot, dialogue, and illustrations. Ask for feedback and listen to their thoughts.

Third Grade Talking Points

- "In a story, we have characters, which are the people, animals, or creatures in the story. They do things and have different personalities."
- "The setting is where and when a story takes place. It can be a real or imaginary place, and it helps us imagine where the characters are and what it looks like."
- "The plot is what happens in a story. It has a beginning, middle, and end. The beginning introduces the characters and setting, the middle has the main events, and the end wraps up the story."
- "In a comic strip, we use panels to show different parts of the story. Each panel has drawings and speech bubbles that show what the characters are saying and doing."
- "Dialogue is the conversation between characters. It helps us understand what they are thinking or feeling. We use speech bubbles to show dialogue in a comic strip."
- "Illustrations are the drawings or pictures in a story or comic strip. They help us visualize the characters, setting, and actions."