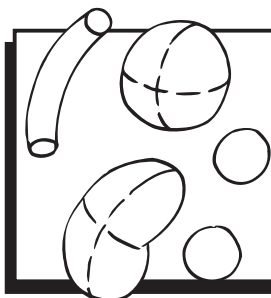
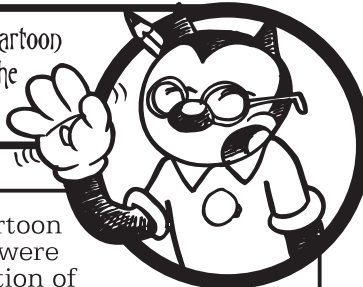


HOW TO DRAW CLASSIC CARTOON CHARACTERS

Hey there, boys and girls! Drawing "classic cartoon characters" can be fun and entertaining...on the next two pages, we'll show you how!

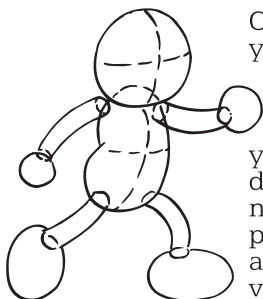


In the early days of cartoon animation, characters were made up of a combination of basic shapes and "rubber hoses". This technique allowed animators to redraw the characters easily and quickly, making it possible to produce a larger number of cartoons in a shorter amount of time.



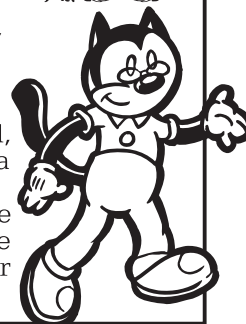
Drawing these shapes lightly in pencil, you can begin to build your classic cartoon character...

With the small, simple additions, you can give him arms, legs, hands and feet...



Once you have the basic shape, you can start to add the details with a darker pencil line.

When the character is finished, you can go over the lines with a darker pen or marker. Using a nice soft eraser you can erase the pencil lines and voila! You have a classic cartoon character of your very own!!!



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So now you know the secrets of classic cartoon character design, but to truly be a master, here are a few of the tricks that will help your characters truly be...

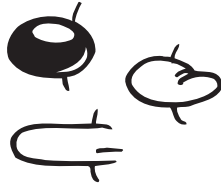


EYES



There are many ways to draw cartoon eyes. The most popular of the two, of course, are the "Little Orphan Annie" and "Pac-Man" styles. Nothing says "classic" like these!

NOSES



Noses are really up to you! Use your imagination, go wild!! Remember, a nose can really define a character's personality...

GLOVES



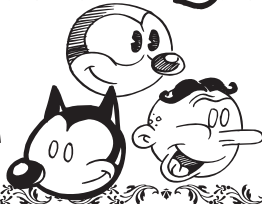
Don't forget the gloves!!! Classic cartoon characters ALWAYS wear white gloves, even if they wear little else...

SHOES



Early cartoon characters always wore "clodhoppers", a type of wooden shoe from the early part of the century...don't forget the little hole at the bottom!

HEADS



There are many ways to draw your character's head. The widow's peak was very popular on all animal characters. Old hairstyles also give a "classic" look...



REMEMBER:

Rome wasn't built in a day and practice makes perfect! After a few tries you'll see it's really easy to draw classic cartoon characters!!!
Bye for now...

