

MUSEUM ETIQUETTE



Tips for an amazing experience in our galleries

- Look with your **eyes**, not your **hands**
- Use only pencils to draw on the **activity booklet**
- Leave **food** and **drinks** outside
 - Speak and walk **softly** in the galleries
 - Take photographs without using flash
 - Treat our interactive displays and equipment with Care





INTRODUCTION

Penguin loves to draw.

He wants to be a little cartoonist.

Help Penguin be a good cartoonist by picking up some useful tips!







ACTIVITY ONE

Tip #1 BE HUMOROUS!

Humour is an effective tool that cartoonists use to **convey** a serious message.

LOOK for this cartoon in the special exhibition gallery.

Complete the cartoon by drawing the missing object on the left.





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The object that you have drawn is a ______.

THINK of three words that best describe this man (e.g. physical appearance or characteristics).

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

WONDER

Why do you think the cartoonist compared the man to this object?

ACTIVITY TWO

Tip #2 USE WELL-KNOWN SAYINGS OR PROVERBS

Some cartoons depict well-known sayings or proverbs to make their point.

LOOK for this cartoon in the special exhibition gallery.



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This cartoon	depicts the Chinese proverb:

PL_Y__G _US_C _O A__ O__

Hint: What is the missing figure in the cartoon doing?

WONDER

Complete the following animal proverbs and sayings. Do you know the meaning behind them?

- 1. Timid as a _____.
- 2. The early _____ catches the worm.
- 3. Curiosity killed the _____.
- 4. Don't count your _____ before they hatch.







ACTIVITY THREE

Tip #3 OBSERVE THE LINES AND SHAPES

A skilled cartoonist is able to turn simple **lines** and **shapes** into **meaningful drawings**.

LOOK for this cartoon in the special exhibition gallery.



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Complete the cartoon by using the lines and shapes below.









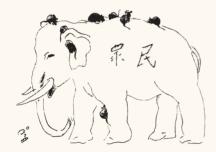
ACTIVITY FOUR

Tip #4 USE SYMBOLISM

Some cartoons use **symbolism*** to convey a wealth of **information** in a single drawing.

*Symbolism is the use of symbols to represent ideas or qualities. For example, the symbol of a red heart is used to represent the idea of "love".

In this cartoon, the elephant symbolises the _____ and the rats symbolise the _____.



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This cartoon makes reference to the common folk belief that the powerful and strong elephant is oddly most afraid of small and weak rodents such as rats and mice.

THINK

Humans associate many traits with different animals which cartoonists may make use of in their works. Match the animals below to their corresponding traits.

Fox	Ferocious
Dog	Hardworking
Tortoise	Sly
Tiger	Loyal
Horse	Slow

THINK about other animals that you encounter in your daily life. What traits do you think they represent?

ACTIVITY FIVE

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Tip #5 BE THOUGHT-PROVOKING!

A good cartoon encourages people to **think deeply** about an issue.

LOOK for this cartoon in the special exhibition gallery.







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In this cartoon, the man on the left has lost his______, while the man on the right has received a ______.

THINK!

How do you think the man on the left is feeling?

How would you **care** for him?



ACTIVITY SIX

Tip #6 BE CURIOUS

Want to become **a good cartoonist** like Penguin? You can start by **being curious** about the world around you.

Find a cartoon in the special exhibition gallery that makes you curious. List three questions you have about **this cartoon**.

Question 1:	
Question 2:	
Question 3:	



THINK about something in your daily life that makes you **curious**. **Draw** a cartoon about it using one of the six tips that you have picked up in this exhibition.

To recap, the six tips are:

- 1. Be humorous
- 2. Use well-known sayings or proverbs
- 3. Observe the lines and shapes
- 4. Use symbolism
- 5. Be thought-provoking
- 6. Be curious





Explain your cartoon.

I drew this cartoon because	9		

Well done! You have helped Penguin complete his quest to be a little cartoonist. We hope you have enjoyed this amazing cartoon adventure!









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