# Little LICAF 2021/22 Learning Resource

## Four Panel Comic Challenge

Comics can be about anything! In simple terms, a comic displays information to the viewer by combining IMAGES together with WORDS, usually in panels.

For the academic year 2021/22 we are setting youngsters the challenge to create a comic, using only 4 panels. ENVIRONMENT is this year's theme and we are looking forward to seeing how you use this topic to inspire your own comic creations.



## **Clarice Tudor**





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Clarice Tudor is a comic artist and cartoonist. After graduating from the University of Leeds, she turned her personal artistic practice into a thriving small business.

She states that her goal is similar to that of many cartoonists – to take a thought, concept, feeling or issue and break it down into an appealing, simple, easy-to-digest piece of art that inspires or soothes the soul.

What sets Clarice apart is her youthful wit.

Clarice is one of the artists representing LICAF for COP26 in a unique project called Comics Change Change The World - 10 Years To Save The World.

It's a collection of ten comics, representing each of the ten years left to save the world, and focussing on the different issues and different climate actions needed in the decade ahead.

COP26 is the 26th United Nations Climate Change Conference, taking place in Glasgow (November 2021).

We are also really proud to present this four panel comic specially designed by Clarice for Little LICAF!

### **Four Panel Comic Challenge**

Information and Instructions for Educators and Pupils

Little LICAF would like youngsters to design a four panel comic inspired by the theme ENVIRONMENT.

The topic of ENVIRONMENT can be interpreted in whatever way you would like. Think about what you have recently been studying in school to help you with ideas.

### **Instructions:**

- Create a four panel comic. It can be any size.
- Use a combination of images and words you can search 'comic template' online if you would like a ready made layout.
- Your comic could be created individually or you could work collaboratively.
- You can use any materials and equipment you want; draw, paint, collage, hand write, type, digital drawing or computer aided. Be creative and enjoy!
- We would love you to share your comic creations with us at <u>artwork@comicartfestival.com</u> or share on your school or parental Twitter, Instagram and Facebook using @LittleLICAF #LittleLICAF
- Please include the name of your school when sending in artwork.
- We look forward to sharing and rewarding your accomplishments and... Clarice Tudor is looking forward to choosing some standout creations!





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THE EVENINGS GROW LONGER



THE NIGHTS WARMER

Here are a few examples of four panel comics created by artists and illustrators sharing their artwork online. They cover a range of topics, but are all linked to the environment in some way. They all use text in some way, even if just to add a title to a 'silent' comic.



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We look forward to seeing what ideas you come up with. Good Luck!

# What does ENVIRONMENT mean to you?

• Animals, plants and humans in their surroundings.

- Do you have a favourite plant or animal, where does it live, what facts do you know?
  - Different habitats, including why some habitats are becoming endangered.
  - Look at the world around us. Food chains, evolution, the seasons changing...
    - Animal lifecycles, like the stages of a butterfly's life.
- Sustainability, like recycling or making positive changes to reduce plastic by using a water bottle.
  - Climate change and how it affects the planet.
  - Environmental issues in your local area or school.
  - Looking after our environment, healthy lifestyle choices and outdoor activities.
  - You could illustrate a poem or quote inspired by nature or the term environment.
    - Nature and all its amazing traits, like the importance of bees!
    - It can be fact based and still include humour or irony if you want.

## How will you interpret the term ENVIRONMENT?



### A few words on comics...

Comics combine words with images to convey information.

Comics are a **medium**, so they can be about anything! They cover a wide array of **genres**; fact, fiction, superhero, thriller, biographic, historical, political, the list goes on...

A comic usually contains **panels**, the edge of each panel is called a **frame**, and in between each frame there is a space called a **gutter**. A gutter helps show the passing of time, this could be a minute, a hour or years!

Words can be presented in comics is different ways, but most commonly they are used in **speech bubbles**, **thought bubbles** or **exclamations**!

Comics can be presented in many ways. English language comics are laid out starting at the top left of the page, read left to right. Then let your eyes travel to the next row of panels and continue left to right, reading in the same direction as you would read a book.

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**The Lakes International Comic Art Festival** 

There is always a section of the festival designed especially for children (12 & under) and families - a wonderland of workshops, activities, resources, reading and more... This year, over the festival weekend, we will be situated in the Shakespeare Centre here in Kendal.

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You can check out our FREE teaching resources and comic activities online. https://www.comicartfestival.com/licaf-live/little-licaf With loads of fab tutorials, downloads and activities... get involved, learn something new and just have great fun with comics! Teachers, parents and families with children can follow us on social media; Facebook, Twitter and Instagram @LittleLICAF

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