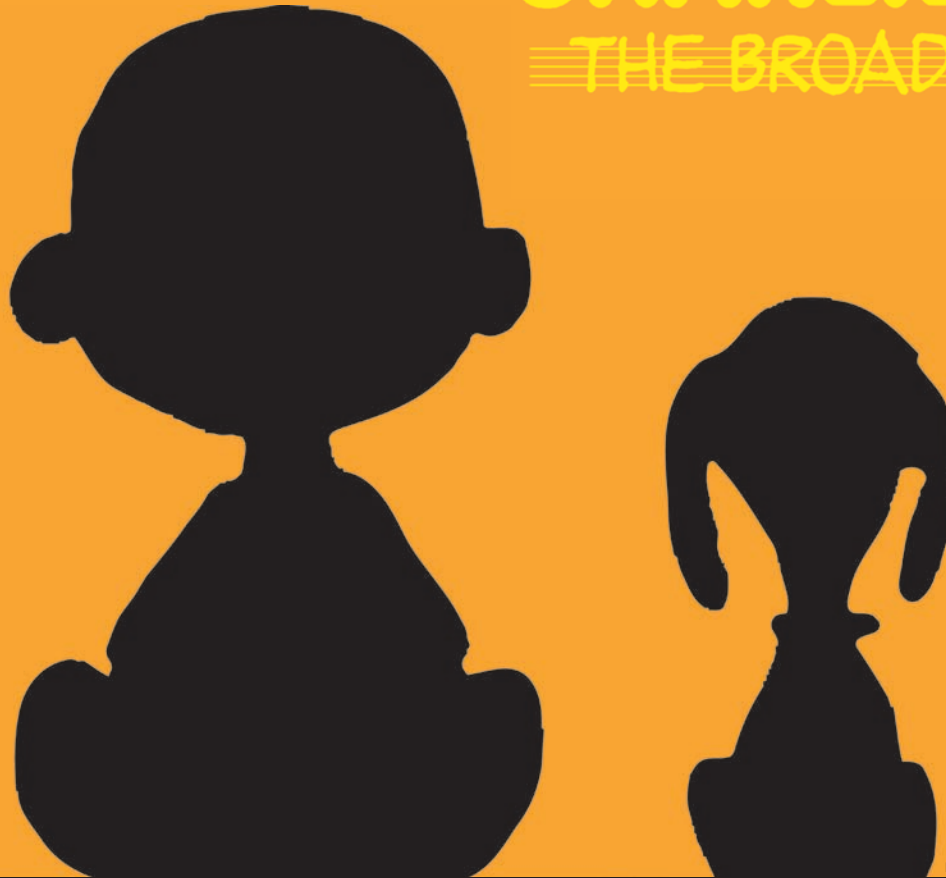


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# Good Grief!

All of the characters in Peanuts have their own distinct characteristics and personality traits. Who are you most like?



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## Did you know?

The first characters in the "Peanuts" strip were Charlie Brown, Patty, Snoopy and Sherry? When Charles Schulz started drawing the comic strip in 1950 there were only 4 characters, eventually there would be many more including; Linus, Peppermint Patty, Marcie, Woodstock, Schroeder, Violet, Franklin, Sally, Pig Pen and of course Lucy.

Most of the characters were named after people from "Sparky's" life, Charlie Brown was a classmate at school and Frieda was a woman who worked with him at his first job. He also based Snoopy on his family's first dog and gave Charlie Brown's father the job of Barber, which is what his own father did for a living.

**Charlie Brown:** Considerate, friendly and polite, with a spirit striving to triumph over adversity.

**Lucy:** Bossy, crabby, selfish and loud. Always thinks she knows best.

**Sally:** uninhibited, fun-loving and outspoken. Loves Linus.

**Schroeder:** reserved, serious and dedicated to his music. Loves all classical music, especially Beethoven.

**Linus:** intellectual, philosophical and the problem solver of the group. Loves his Security Blanket and The Great Pumpkin.

**Snoopy:** happy, intelligent and with a vivid imagination. Usually found daydreaming on top of his doghouse. Loves Suppertime.

## And the Award goes to...

"Peanuts" is listed in the Guinness Book of World Records as the most published comic strip in the world. Charles Schulz was also the most honored cartoonist of his day, winning two "Reubens" from the National Cartoonist Society, a "Peabody" award, and an Emmy award for outstanding children's programming. He was also named "Commander of Arts and Letters" by the French government and received the "Order of Merit" from the Italian Minister of Culture and a star on the Hollywood walk to fame.

# Timeline

- 1922** Charles Schulz is born in St. Paul, Minnesota
- 1937** Charles Schulz's first sketch is published (it's of his dog Spike)
- 1940** Charles Schulz serves in the Army during WW2
- 1950** Peanuts debuts in 7 newspapers
- 1952** Lucy makes her first appearance
- 1954** Linus debuts along with his security blanket
- 1959** Sally is introduced as Charlie Brown's little sister
- 1960** Hallmark introduces the Peanuts greeting card
- 1965** The Peanuts characters appear on the cover of Time magazine
- 1967** Woodstock becomes a regular character in the strip
- 1971** Marcie joins the Peanuts gang
- 1973** A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving debuts
- 1975** Snoopy's brother Spike makes his first appearance
- 1984** Peanuts appears in a record breaking 2,000 newspapers, putting it the Guinness Book of World Records
- 1991** Schroeder becomes spokesman for National Piano Month
- 1996** Charles Schulz receives a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame
- 1999** Charles Schulz officially retires
- 2000** Peanuts 50th Anniversary and the final Peanuts Strip appears in the Sunday paper
- 2002** The Charles M. Schulz Museum and Research Center opens in Santa Rosa California

# The Art of Cartooning

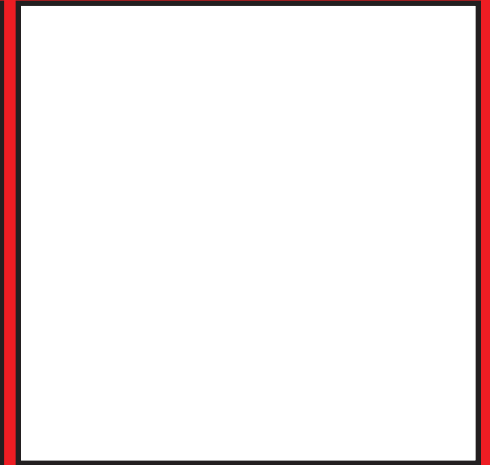
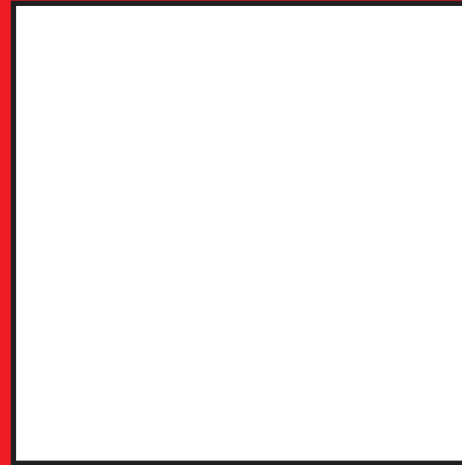
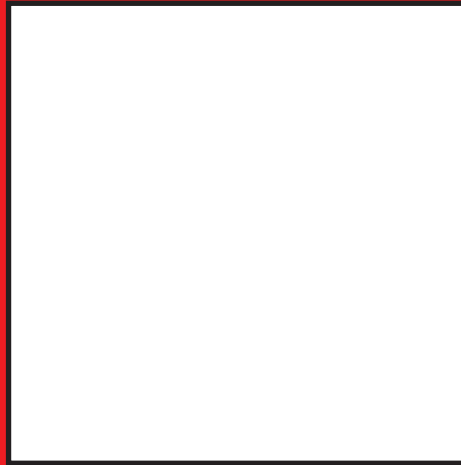
## Cartoon:

**A drawing depicting a humorous situation.**

*Using the strip below, draw your own cartoon, and write the dialogue in the box provided.*

Today we think of cartoons as the things that we watch on a Saturday morning, but it wasn't always that way. Long before television there were newspapers. People bought them to find out the news of the day and to see their favorite cartoonist's latest entry. Back then, cartoons were used not just for entertainment, but to express political and social ideas. Today,

we still have what we refer to as "editorial" cartoons that address these ideas, but we also have the "funnies", cartoons that are made just for entertainment and have a storyline or plot. Most cartoons today (especially animation) are drawn by computer, but some still rely on "hand-drawn" frames like the ones by Charles Schulz for the "Peanuts" strip.



## Charlie Brown Trivia Challenge



1. Who is Charlie Brown's best friend?
2. What instrument does Schroeder play?
3. What makes Linus feel safe?
4. What year did the "Peanuts" comic strip debut?
5. What is Charlie Brown's dog's name?
6. What is the name of Snoopy's bird friend?

7. What was the original title of the "Peanuts" comic strip?
8. On Halloween, when everyone else got candy, what did Charlie Brown get?
9. Who gives psychiatric advice for 5 cents?
10. Who were the first 4 characters in the "Peanuts" strip?

1. Linus
2. piano
3. his security blanket
4. 1952
5. Snoopy
6. Woodstock
7. Little Folks
8. rocks
9. Lucy
10. Charlie Brown, Sherry, Snoopy, Patty

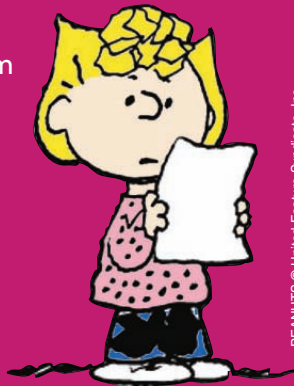
# Happiness is...

Charles Schulz once said that "Happiness is a warm puppy".

Everyone has something that makes them happy and the "Peanuts" gang is no exception.

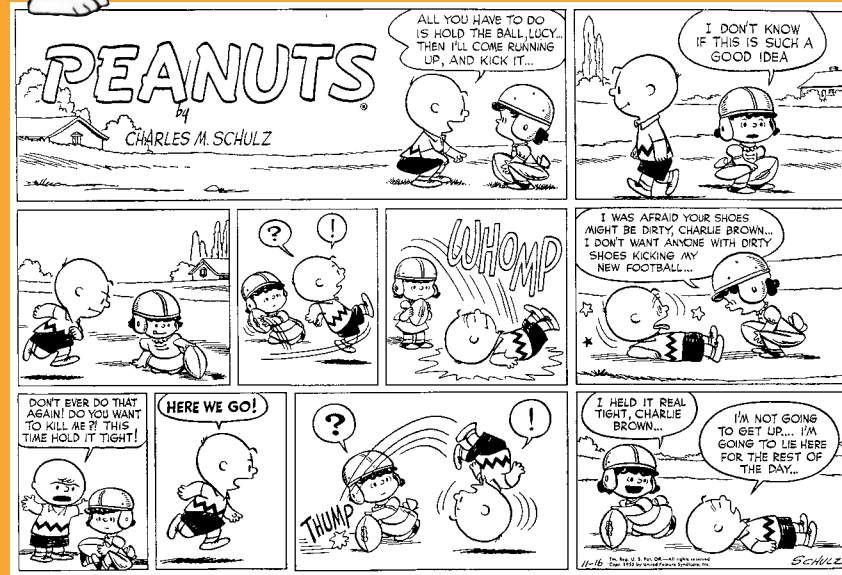
For Schroeder it's his piano. For Charlie Brown it's winning a baseball game. Sally is happy when Linus notices her and Linus is happy just to have his security blanket. We know that Lucy is always happy to give advice and that Snoopy loves day-dreaming on top of his doghouse. Look at the list of things from the song "Happiness" from "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" and see if you find something that makes you happy.

- 2 kinds of ice cream
- Sharing a sandwich
- Having a sister
- Catching a firefly
- 5 different crayons
- Climbing a tree
- Knowing a secret
- Learning to whistle
- Pizza with sausage
- Tying your shoe for the very first time
- Coming home again
- Anyone and anything that's loved by you



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# How it all began...



You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown opened off-Broadway at Theatre 80 St. Marks on March 7, 1967. The idea for the show began in 1966 when producers Arthur Whitelaw and Gene Persson asked Clark Gesner to turn his album of PEANUTS character songs into a show using Charles Schulz's comic strips for the book. The show was an immediate audience favorite and has become one of the most produced musicals in history, it even enjoyed a Broadway run in 1999 starring Kristen Chenoweth who later went on to star in WICKED. So for the past 40 years, the PEANUTS gang has delighted audiences and critics alike with their unique perspective on life and its daily challenges.

## Charles Schulz - 1922-2000



He was born Charles Schulz on November 26, 1922 in St. Paul, Minnesota but was nicknamed "Sparky"

by his uncle. He loved to draw from a young age and his family saved money so that he could take a correspondence course in cartooning, where he received only a C+ in the "Drawing Children" course. After many

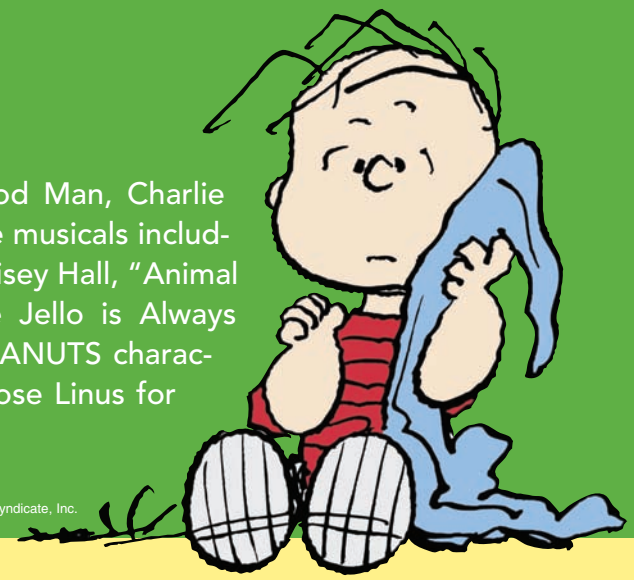
attempts to sell his "Lil Folks" comic strip, he finally achieved success when it was sold to United Features in 1950. Unfortunately, due to a copyright law, the name had to be changed to "Peanuts".

Mr. Schulz was known drawing each strip by hand and for giving his characters traits and problems that were usually associated with grown-ups.

# Clark Gesner - 1938-2002

Born in Augusta, Maine in 1938, Clark Gesner attended Princeton University where he composed songs for the Triangle Theatre Club. After graduation, he moved to New York City where he worked on the "Captain Kangaroo" show and helped to get "Sesame Street" started. In 1967 he sent a recording of a few songs that he wrote about the "Peanuts" characters to Charles Schulz who immediately loved them and gave his permission for a full-length musical adaptation. After

the success of *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown*, he continued to write musicals including "The Utter Glory of Morrisey Hall," "Animal Fair" and the revue, "The Jello is Always Red". When asked which PEANUTS character he identified with, he chose Linus for his insightful view of life.



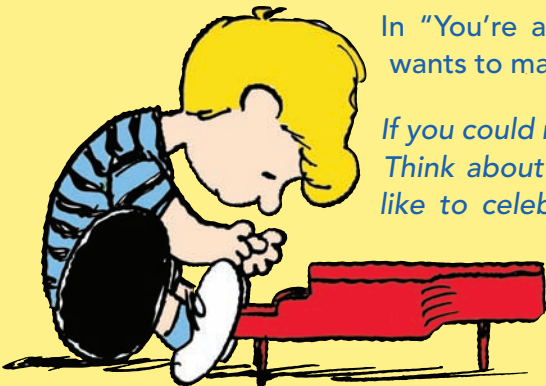
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## Make your own day

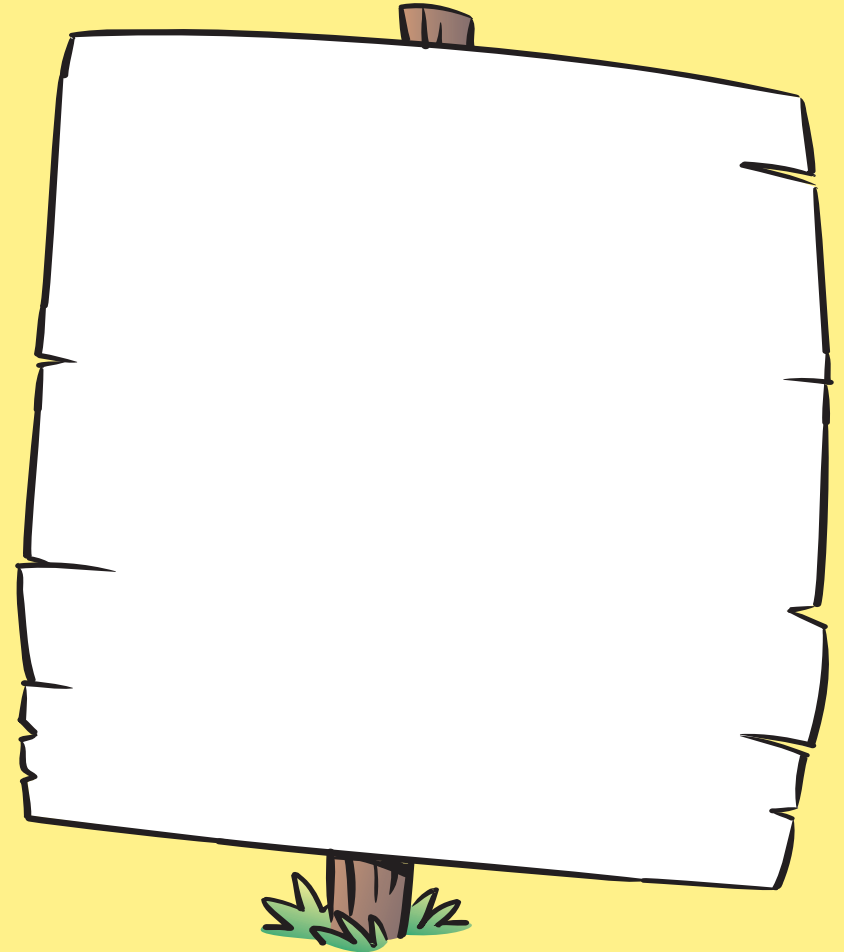
Ever wonder how holidays got started? Well, some holidays started as a local custom, or a celebration of an achievement, whereas most are observances of a famous event or admired person. Today we observe Martin Luther King's birthday in honor of his work for civil rights, we also honor the achievements of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. Some holidays mark a special day in American history or celebrate a particular section of our society, like Mother's Day. Some of the other things that we celebrate as holidays are cultural events or historical milestones like Cinco de Mayo or The 4th of July. Not all holidays are nationally recognized with schools, banks, and federal buildings being closed, but we still like to celebrate them anyway.

In "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown", Schroeder wants to make Beethoven's Birthday a school holiday.

*If you could make your own holiday, what would it be? Think about what is special to you. What would you like to celebrate? Would it be an achievement? An award? Someone in your family? Your Pet? In the space at the right create your own poster for the holiday and explain the reason why you chose it.*



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# Nuts for Peanuts

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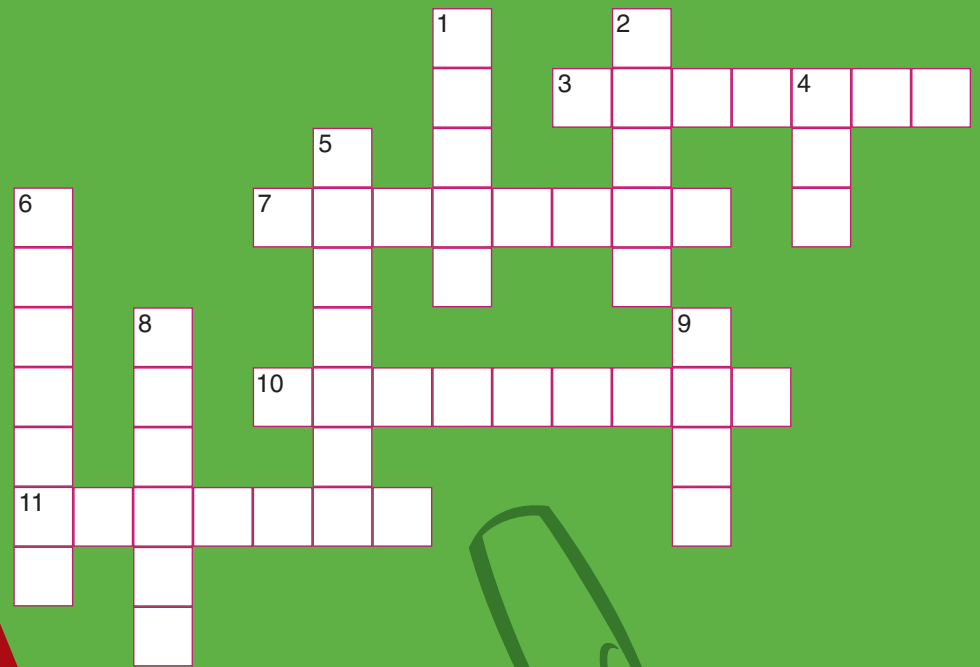
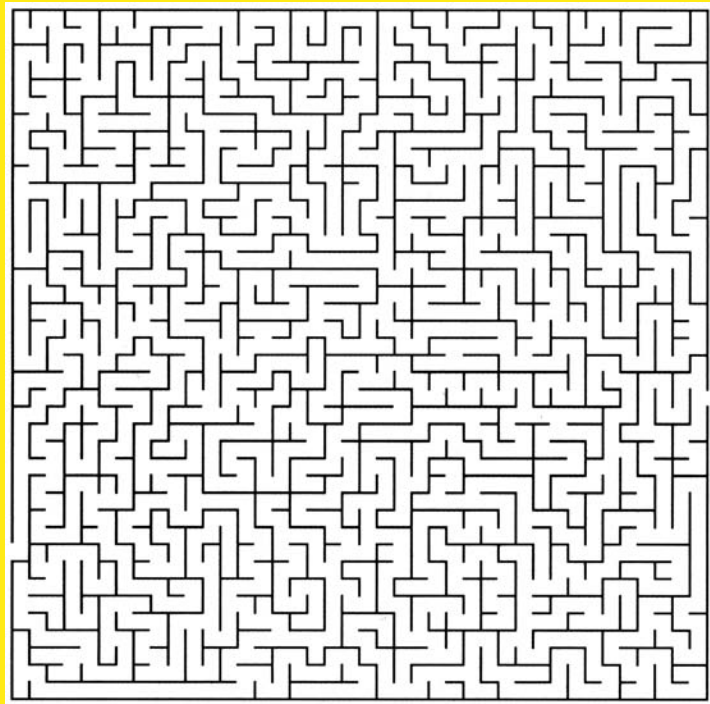


Unscramble each of the clue words.

Take the letters that appear in  
 ○ boxes and unscramble  
 them for the final message.

# Suppertime!

Help Snoopy find his dinner bowl



**Across:**

- 3. Throws the ball
- 7. What Charlie Brown likes to play
- 10. Plays between 2nd and 3rd base
- 11. What players wear

**Down:**

- 1. These make up a baseball diamond
- 2. Where the game is played
- 4. Gets you to first base
- 5. Sits behind homeplate
- 6. What you get if you hit it "over the wall"
- 8. 3 and you're out
- 9. What usually happens to Charlie Brown's team



Who is Linus waiting for?

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Unscramble the tiles to reveal a message.

# Go Team!