

# Create a Movie Storyboard

**Objective:** The student will draw pictures and write captions to show the sequence of a realistic movie story adapted from their poem.

**Standard:** Uses the general skills and strategies of the reading process

**Benchmark:** Represents concrete information (i.e., people, places, things, events) as explicit mental pictures

**Skill Development:** Main idea, sentence construction

**Organization:** Whole-class activity or independent work

## Materials

- copies of poems: *Gunga Din* by Rudyard Kipling, *The Raven* by E. A. Poe, *The Man From Snowy River* by Banjo Paterson, *The Nightmare Before Christmas* by Tim Burton, and *Jabberwocky* by Lewis Carroll.
- student copies of "Create a Movie Storyboard" Worksheet
- drawing paper

## Procedure

1. A storyboard uses pictures to tell a story. Filmmakers use storyboards to outline major events in the stories they wish to tell. Think of storyboards as an elaborate comic strip. It is telling a story sequentially in pictures.
2. You are to create a storyboard for the "movie" that your team would create for your poem.



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Many movies are based on popular realistic fiction books. Filmmakers begin their projects by creating storyboards. A storyboard looks like a cartoon strip and contains pictures of the main events in sequence.

Directions:

1. Create a storyboard for your team's poem.
2. Your storyboard should tell the story in ten-twelve pictures.
3. Each picture should include a caption explaining the scene shown with directing instructions including audio and lighting information.
4. At least one frame should cover the major actors/actresses you will employ in your movie production.
5. The first frame should set the stage for the story. Draw a picture that shows the setting and the main character(s).
6. Tell the story. Draw three-four frames to show what happens in the beginning and middle of the story.
7. Draw at least one frame that shows the conclusion of the story.
8. **REMEMBER:** Write a caption below each picture.
9. Some helpful storyboard building sites:

<http://theelearningcoach.com/resources/storyboard-depot/>

PowerPoint-storyboard-template.ppt - Digital storytelling: [digitalstorytelling.coe.uh.edu/storyboard-template...](http://digitalstorytelling.coe.uh.edu/storyboard-template...)