Do your students love to cartoon, but don't know where to begin? Help them jumpstart their ideas with these steps. Soon they will be creating a

Personified Cartoons



world of characters all of their own.

See the samples below for some fun ideas!

Ages 7-12

Candy People

by Chloe W, age 10

Supplies:

- White drawing paper or watercolor paper
- Pencils and erasers
- Colored pencils or watercolor pencils (and brushes if needed)
- Fine line black markers
- Photo references of favorite objects

Directions:

- 1. Give out photo references of groups of inanimate objects, like sports equipment, food, candy, electronics, toys, hats, etc.
- 2. Have the students sketch the objects of their choice in pencil.
- 3. Add eyes, noses, mouths, hands, and feet to the objects.
- 4. Embellish with accessories like hats, sunglasses, jewelry, shoes, and gloves.
- 5. Create a new drawing that groups them together and render in colored pencils or watercolor pencils.
- 6. Outline everything in fine line black markers.

Student Examples:







Inside the Dresser Drawer by Ana

Cotton Candy and friends by Emily

Picnic Party Animals by Karsten