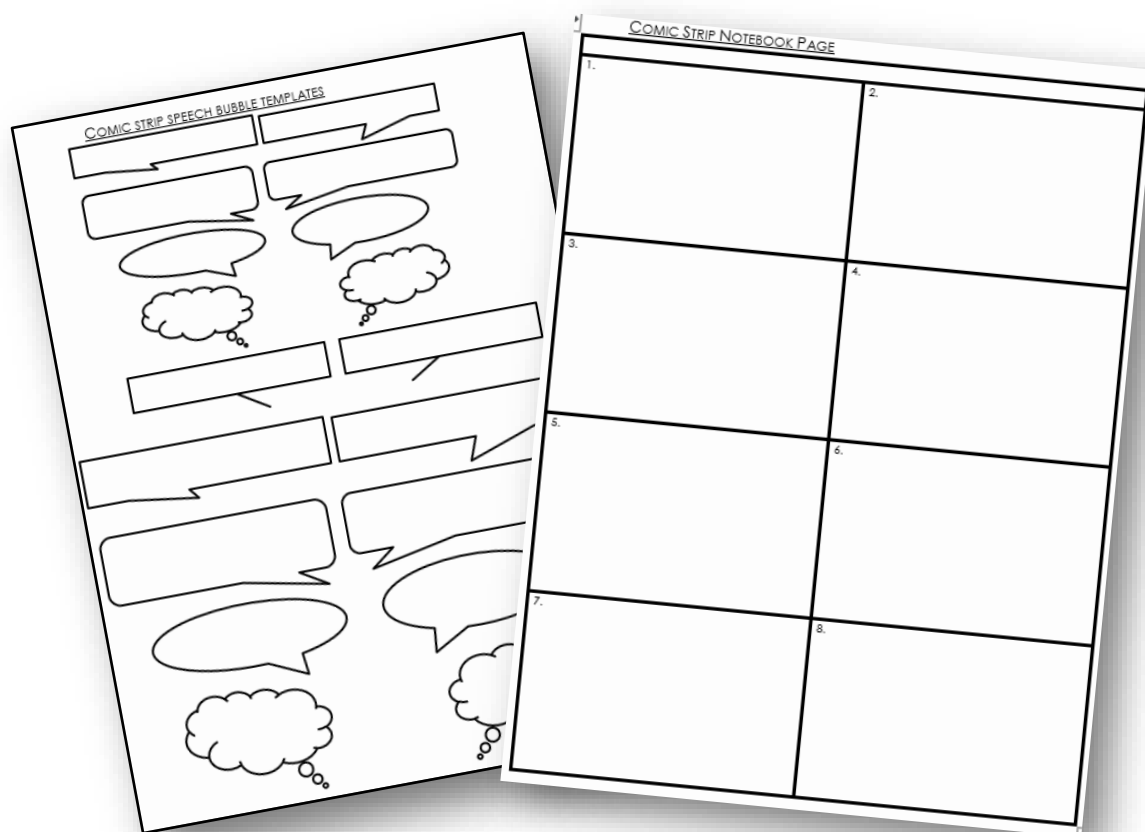


# Comic Strip Template



Comic strips are picture stories that convey loads of information and visual detail. They are a wonderful resource for language arts and creative writing activities and make an excellent option for narrations and storytelling.

## **Here are some comic tips:**

1. Plan out six to 8 facts or ideas for your story on rough paper first. Just think ... eight blocks = eight facts?
2. Look at some real comics with your children before you start to show how a reader reads the dialogue from left to right, from top to bottom if there is more than one "call out" or speech bubble in a block.
3. When writing the dialogue, *first* print the dialogue small & neatly, *then* draw the speech bubble around the words. This prevents you running out of space in your bubble.
4. Use different shaped "call out" bubbles – bubbled for thoughts, pointed to a mouth as speech, zig-zag to show radio comments or computer voice.
5. Add a top or bottom information phrase block if needed, like: *Later on ...* or *Back inside ...*
6. Use the space left after the speech to draw simple ideas. Colour adds to the effects.
7. Use onomatopoeic (sound effect) words and draw them with style to show something popping, crashing, exploding, squeaking etc.
8. Be creative! Have FUN!

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## Comic strip speech bubble template

