

Dear Teachers,

Welcome to the Gallagher Bluedorn Performing Arts Center and the Kaleidoscope Series for Youth. We appreciate your selection of the Gallagher Bluedorn for your students' cultural experience, and we hope your experience with the virtual performance is educational, engaging, and enjoyable.

The materials about each individual performance in the Study Guide are designed by educators, and includes a synopsis of the production, pre- and post-show activities for the classroom, and bibliographies. Please feel free to print and copy the information that is appropriate to your classroom lesson plan. In addition, students and parents are encouraged to investigate the study guide materials together.

Thank you for your interest in the virtual Kaleidoscope Series for Youth, and thank you for being a part of "lowa's Largest Classroom".

Sincerely,

Kelli McCarthy

Community Relations Manager

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Field Trip Information For Teachers

BEFORE THE PERFORMANCE...

Time of Arrival

We suggest you arrive approximately 20-30 minutes prior to curtain time.

Parking and Unloading

School buses arriving at the Gallagher Bluedorn will approach via University Avenue. Enter campus from the east at the traffic light onto Campus Street. The Gallagher Bluedorn drive-up lane is now threw the visitor parking lot (metered lot north of the building). Please line up behind any buses waiting to unload students. DO NOT unload students until directed by a GBPAC staff member at that time unload students quickly and move them onto the sidewalk. Gallagher Bluedorn staff will direct traffic and assist in the unloading.

When empty, school buses will move to the parking lot located on the north side of the Gallagher Bluedorn, unless ushers indicate otherwise. Once parked, buses cannot leave the lot until after the performance. If your bus needs to leave during the show, they should return no later than 10 minutes before the end of the performance. If your students are staying on campus for lunch or a tour and will not be getting on the bus immediately after the show, please notify parking staff when you arrive so it is parked appropriately.

Home Schools/Private Patrons

When you arrive, please proceed to the B lot south of University Avenue. Parking is free and no parking voucher is needed. A limited number of parking spaces for those with handicap designations or special needs are available in the lot north of the Gallagher Bluedorn. Please plan accordingly and arrive early.

Seating

The ushers will direct groups to their seats. Our seating policy is to seat students and teachers together as indicated on the order form. Each busload of students receives an usher and may enter a different door but will be seated in the same area in the auditorium.

Special Seating

Please inform Nicole Burns at (319) 273-3679 or nicole.l.burns@uni.edu if you have a student with special seating needs (if not previously noted on your order form) so we can arrange appropriate seating. Please provide at least two weeks' notice if possible. Due to the large number of students attending most shows, we may not be able to accommodate special seating if we do not have prior notice.





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DURING THE PERFORMANCE...

A Few Reminders on Theatre Etiquette

- Food and drink are not permitted in the Great Hall.
- Cameras and recording devices are not allowed.
- You may talk before and after the performance begins, but please do not talk during.
- Turn off all cell phones, pagers, an other electronic devices.
- · Clap and cheer when appropriate.
- · Most importantly, enjoy the show!

Chaperones

Please see the section below on guidelines for Kaleidoscope chaperones.

Duration

The performance will last approximately one hour unless otherwise noted on the website, confirmation letter, and voucher. If your students are staying on campus for lunch or a tour and will not be getting on the bus immediately after the show, please notify parking staff so it is parked appropriately.

AFTER THE PERFORMANCE...

Loading

At the conclusion of the performance, stay seated and wait until your assigned bus number is called by the Gallagher Bluedorn employee onstage. Please wait patiently as groups are dismissed to their buses. A Gallagher Bluedorn volunteer will escort your group to your bus safely. Home schooled students and chaperones may exit at the conclusion of the performance through the east exit.

Evaluation

Teacher surveys will be conducted online. The contact name on your group order will receive a link via email after the performance. Please share this with other teachers on the field trip. We appreciate your feedback for future Kaleidoscope performances!

Guidelines for Kaleidoscope Chaperones

As a chaperone for a Kaleidoscope performance, you are an important factor in making the performance enjoyable for the entire audience. Here are some guidelines to help make the most of your Kaleidoscope experience.

- Before entering the hall, assist the teacher by keeping students in line and by reminding them that chewing gum, eating, and drinking are not allowed in the hall.
 Make sure to take notice of the bus number assigned to you by a Gallagher Bluedorn employee.
- Be ready to let the ushers know what school you represent when you arrive. This information helps the ushers show you to your seats in an efficient manner. Please be patient if several people ask you the same question.
- If you need assistance for any reason, ushers are wearing white shirts and black pants and will be wearing nametags.

- Sit amongst the students during the performance. Please ask students to remain in their seats and to refrain from talking during the show. We want all students to be able to hear and enjoy the show.
- At the conclusion of the show, wait to exit until your assigned bus number is called by the Gallagher Bluedorn employee onstage once the show is over. Please wait patiently as groups are dismissed to their buses. When exiting the hall, please help the teacher keep your class together.



THEATERWORKSUSA

Presents

Activites, Worksheets and More:







LET'S ALL ENJOY THE SHOW!

Thank you for attending TheaterWorksUSA's production of CAT KID COMIC CLUB: THE MUSICAL!

This study guide is designed to enhance your students' experience of attending a performance of CAT KID COMIC CLUB: THE MUSICAL. It includes discussion points for before and after your students' theater experience as well as in-class activities and worksheets. The activities in this packet are meant to expand upon topics and themes introduced in the musical, and to inspire creative thinking and expression.

Feel free to adapt or change any discussion prompts or material to suit your classroom and style!

THE AUDIENCE HAS A JOB TOO!

Theater is for everyone to enjoy! Being an audience member at a live theater performance is a special experience that we are excited to share with YOU!

As an audience member at the theater, you will experience a STORY told LIVE on stage by a group of performers.

Unlike a movie, the performers can feel the response of the live audience while they are telling the story LIVE on stage.

The energy of the audience is what makes theater very exciting! So, you are encouraged to react to the story, laugh at funny moments, clap at the end of each song, and cheer for the performers at end of the show!

Just remember to be respectful of the performers (so they can focus on their jobs) and other audience members (so they can focus on their jobs too!).

HERE ARE SOME AUDIENCE JOB DUTIES THAT WILL HELP YOU HAVE AN AWESOME TIME AT THE THEATER:

- 1. Participate. Show the cast and crew your appreciation with applause (clapping) at the end of songs and scenes. If you think an action or a joke is funny, feel free to laugh!
- 2. Pay close attention to the story. The performers have been practicing (rehearsing) for weeks! You can show respect to the performers by staying focused on the story. Save conversations with friends for after the show.
- 3. Turn off technology. That means no cell phones or iPads. Even if they are silent, we only want to see the lights that are on the stage, not from phones.
- 4. No eating or drinking during the show, please. The noise from candy and snack wrappers is not part of the sound designer's plan for the show! Please save your snacks until the performance is over.
- 5. Arrive early, use the restroom before the show starts, and stay at your seat.
- 6. Be respectful of the space and others. Take care of your space and respect other audience members' space so that everyone can enjoy the show!



Vocabulary



Play: A story told live on stage by actors in front of a live audience.

Musical: A story told live on stage by actors in front of a live audience that also involves singing and dancing.

Theme: The message or main idea of a story. This can be a word or a sentence that links a big idea about our world with the story.

Genre: The style of a play.

Plot: The timeline of actions in the story from beginning to end.

Setting: Where a story takes place.

Characters: Who the story is about.

Conflict: A problem that the characters in the story have to face and overcome. A conflict arises when a character wants something but something else gets in their way.

Objective: What a character wants to achieve or solve in the story. In other words, a character's goal.

Protagonist: The story's hero. This is the character who is out to accomplish a goal or find purpose.

Antagonist: The story's villain. This character is usually against what the protagonist(s) needs to accomplish their objective or goal.

Dialogue: a conversation between two or more people in a play or musical.

Moment Before: an acting term that encourages actors to consider what is going on in their character's life just before the present moment. Ex: If the scene begins with a character entering a room feeling excited, the actor may want to explore what made them feel that way in the "moment before" they entered the room.

Blocking: Movement the director give to the actors to show them where to go on the stage

Choreography: A sequence of dance moves assigned to a dancer in a musical number (song) that are used to help tell the story.

Cue: In theater, a cue signals when another action should begin. For example: The actor's cue to enter the stage might be after they hear the thunder sound effect.

Make-Up: Artistically designed cosmetics to enhance an actor's portrayal of a character

Box Office: Where the audiene memebers pick up their tickets for the show.



Vocabulary



Author: a writer of a book or article. The authors of the Cat Kid and DogMan books are Dave Pilkey.

Playwright: The writer or writers of the play. Playwrights write the dialogue between characters in a play.

Composer: The artist who writes music for a musical.

Lyricist: the artist who writes words to the music in a musical.

Actor: the artist who embodies or puts themselves "in the shoes of" a character or characters in a play or musical to tell that character's story to the audience.

Audience: a group of people who attend a live event like a theatre performances to watch, listen, and respond to the event on stage.

Director: the artist who works with the writers, actors, and designers to tell a clear story on stage for the audience. It is the director's job to have a creative vision for how to tell the story and make sure everyone is working together towards the same goal.

Stage Manager: The artist who manages the onstage and backstage areas before, during, and after a performance. They set up the schedule for the actors, cue the lights and sound during the show, and make sure the set, props, and furniture stay in good shape throughout the show.

Design: An idea that is sketched, drawn, or molded to artistically show how the world of a play will take shape on stage.

Set Designer: The artist who creates what the world of a story will look like on stage. This can include furniture and scenery that can help tell the audience where the story takes place.

Costume Design: A costumer designer chooses and creates the articles of clothing that characters wear on stage to help tell the audience who the characters.

Sound Designer: an artist that creates the mood or atmosphere of the play through the use of sound, sound effects, and music in a play or musical.

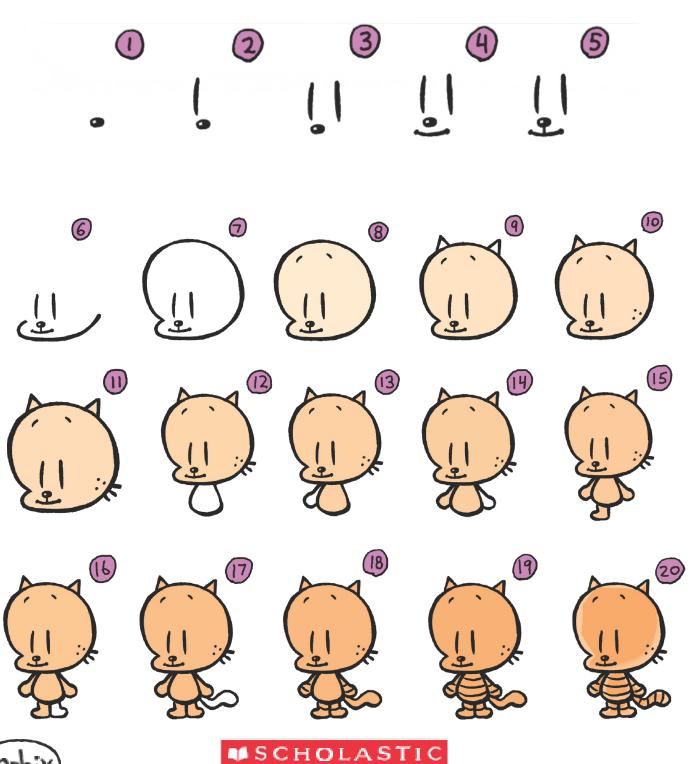
Props: Objects used by a character on stage to help tell the story. Ex: A character may use a prop like an umbrella on stage if it is raining in that scene of the play.

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How to Draw Cat Kid!





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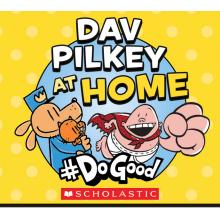


TWUSA'S COMIC BOOK CLUB MEMBERSHIP CARD

You are officially a comic book club member! Add or draw a picture of yourself and fill in the blanks below below.

Name:	
Birthday: //	
Favorite book:	(
Date Issued: /	
Date Issued: /	/ Signature:







in 9 Ridiculously Easy Steps!











































WHAT IS A HAIKU?

A haiku is a short poem that has three lines.

EVEN IF NO ONE CAN SEE OPEN ANYWAY

The first line of a haiku has five syllables.

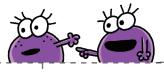
The second line has seven syllables.

The third line has five syllables.

FINDING SYLLABLES

Put your hand under your chin.
Say a word, then count the number of times your chin moves down. That's how many syllables the word has!

Cut apart the words below. Put them together to create your own haiku poem!



eats	and	friend	shiny	l away
a+	seagull	you	but	! secretly
together	wing	rough	through	stars
because	i+	jumps	+00	hever
ripple	soft	ih	¦ fLower	¦ her
¦ +he	¦ giggl e s	tomorrow	whale	wrinkly
warm	over	between	me	glows
see s	brightly	spider	l mysterious	toward
with	pickLe	him	grows	a Lot



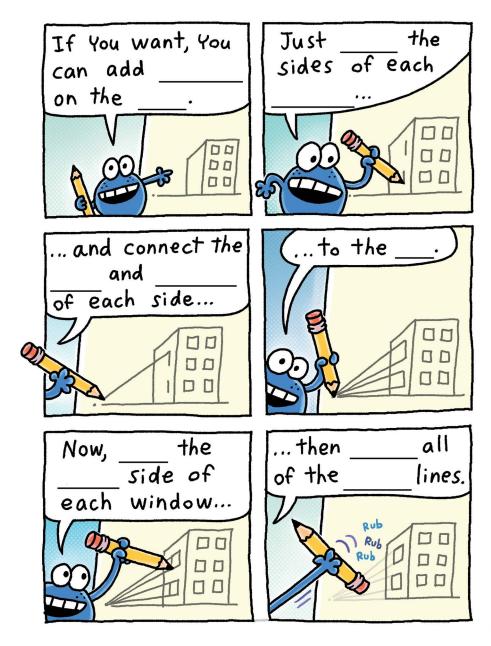
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WILD PAGES! GIVE 'EM SOME DIRECTION!

Challenge yourself to fill in the blanks correctly OR get silly and add in your own crazy words!



READ THE BOOK OF THE WEEK!





READ ALONG!

Here are some links to read along videos for you and your students!

Welcome to the Comic Club! - CAT KID COMIC CLUB - Part 1. (full playlist on YouTube)

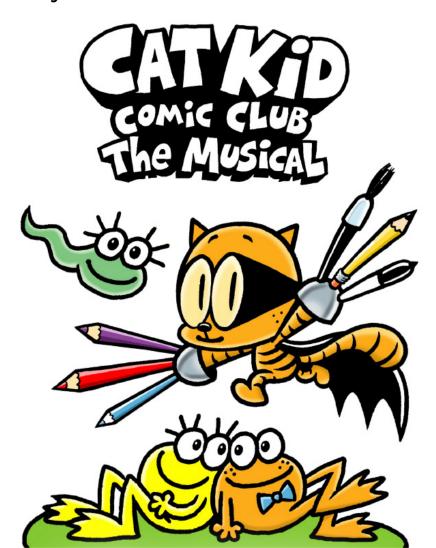
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yX5e_rMW6bo&list=PLr7VGL_9NuoADCxZT4Xa-y sDedpVC0WMH

Cat kid comic club Read aloud!!! By: Dav Pilkey | Kavish USA Vlogs.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=21djaVjhiwA

Cat Kid Comic Club Perspectives by Dav Pilkey - Read Aloud of the Cat Kid Comic Club 2

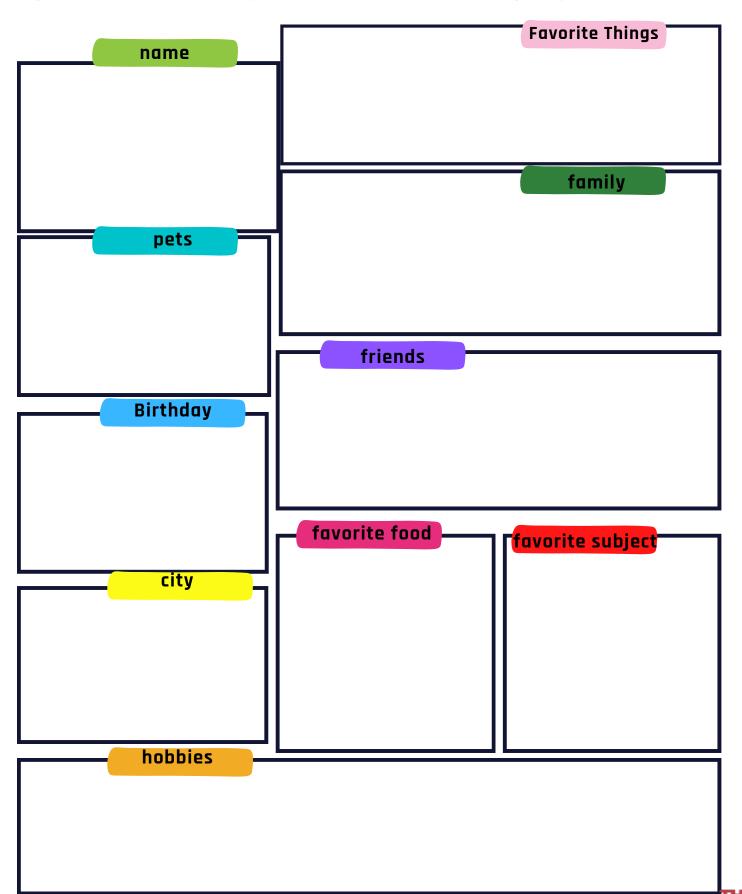
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dO3lsZz8RmU





Cetting to know you!

Use perspective to create an amazing comic book character about someone you don't know a lot about, just like Naomi and Melvin did in CAT KID COMIC CLUB: The Musical. Interview your partner and fill out boxes with information you gather. Then create a unique comic book cover based off your partner.



Getting to know you!

Draw a cover for your comic book based on your character interview.





CAT KID COMIC CLUB



Make your own comic with the character you created in the boxes below!



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YOUR COMIC	DATE:
CHARACTERS	THEME Develop bunch of awesome ideas! Nothing too crazy
CONFLICT	SOLUTION put your story ideas together here before
PUT IT TOGETHER!	here before you make your animations



CAT KID COMIC CLUB



DRAW YOUR OWN COMIC!

Brainstorm ideas, then write and draw your story in the empty panels below.











COLOR IT!



READ THE BOOK OF THE WEEK!



■ SCHOLASTIC



Partner up and Act it Out!



SCENE: PROLOGUE

CHARACTER:

MOLLY, CAT KID, SARAH HATOFF, FLIPPY, MELVIN,

NAOMI, CURLY AND FROGS

MOLLY:

Great job, Cat Kid!

CAT KID:

Gee, thanks, Molly!

SARAH HATOFF:

But now that they've lost their evilness, what will happen to those poor, lost, parent-less little tadpoles?

FLIPPY:

(nobly)

I'll help them. I know how lonely and afraid they must feel. I'll raise them as children of my own!

CAT KID/SARAH:

Awwwwww.

MOLLY:

Uhhh... But, Flippy, are you sure you can handle adopting 22 kids?

FLIPPY:

Of course! How hard could it be?!

SARAH HATOFF:

A buncha weeks later...

FROGS:

(MAKING A RACKET)

FLIPPY:

Will you keep it down?! Stop that! Hey! Get that out of your mouth!



MELVIN:

DADDYYY! Naomi won't stop poking me!

NAOMI:

He keeps running into my finger!

CURLY:

DADDY! I think I swallowed a rock!

FLIPPY:

You are all driving me bonkers!!

FROGS:

DESTRUCTION AND MAYHEM EVERYWHERE!!! IT'S THE END!
THE END! THE END OF THE WORLD!!

CAT KID:

Hi, Flippy! How's parenthood going?

FLIPPY:

Terrible! These tadpoles are growing into a bunch of naughty little frogs and I just don't know what to do.

CAT KID:

Sure you do!

FLIPPY:

I do ...?

CAT KID:

Of course! You used to be just like them, Flippy. Don't'cha remember what turned your life around?

FLIPPY:

That's it! You made this comic book. And it changed my world!

MOLLY:

Making comics helped turned me nice too! But do you think it'll work on



SCENE:

SCENE 1

CHARACTERS:

CAT KID, MOLLY, CURLY, POPPY, NAOMI,

MELVIN, FLIPPY AND FROGS

CAT KID:

Welcome to Day One! I'm Li'l Petey, President of the club!

MOLLY:

And I'm Vice President!

MELVIN:

How come Molly gets to be Vice President?

MOLLY:

'Cuz I called it first, Melvin!

CURLY:

Well, I want to be Vice President, too!

POPPY:

Me too!

MOLLY:

We can't all be Vice Presidents!

NAOMI:

Then I'll be SENIOR Vice President!

MELVIN:

And I'm the SUPREME Vice President!



NAOMI:

Oh yeah? I'm the TRIPLE DOUBLE SECRET Vice President TIMES TEN!

MELVIN:

You can't do that!

NAOMI:

I just did, and you're fired!

MELVIN:

DADDY! Naomi just fired me!

FROGS:

(ARGUING SOUNDS)

FLIPPY:

EVERYBODY QUIET DOWN!!

CAT KID:

(to the Frogs)

I know this is new for some of you, but I'm sure you can do it. That's why we give you...The Cat Kid Comic Club Supa-Promise Guarantee:"

(Drumroll, as Cat Kid holds up his hand to take the sacred oath.)

CAT KID: (CONT'D)

We solemnly swear that in four days, every single one of you will have written your very own comic book!

FROGS:

(GASP!)



COMIC CLUB

Word Search

Can you find the words hidden in the puzzle?

M	0	L	L	Y	R	S	D	٧	S	U	Α
В	н	1	R	M	E	U	K	P	٧	A	D
С	н	1	P	P	Y	P	0	R	A	L	F
D	0	R	L	A	F	A	ı	L	R	A	L
С	T	1	D	E	M	E	ı	T	1	D	1
R	1	R	E	L	A	W	Y	E	R	K	P
E	R	C	N	0	A	L	Т	C	E	A	P
A	C	A	T	C	٧	A	A	T	G	F	Y
Т	U	T	1	E	0	L	В	0	0	K	E
E	C	K	S	T	L	G	C	0	T	U	M
V	V	1	T	M	E	L	٧	1	N	0	N
E	X	D	C	0	M	I	C	E	L	F	R

MOLLY	LAWYER	SUPA	MELVIN
COMIC	FLIPPY	FAIL	CREATE
CHIPPY	воок	CATKID	DENTIST



COMIC CLUB

Word Search

Answer Key



MOLLY	LAWYER	SUPA	MELVIN
COMIC	FAIL	CREATE	CATKID
FLIPPY	воок	CHIPPY	DENTIST

