

## How to Make Your Own Comic

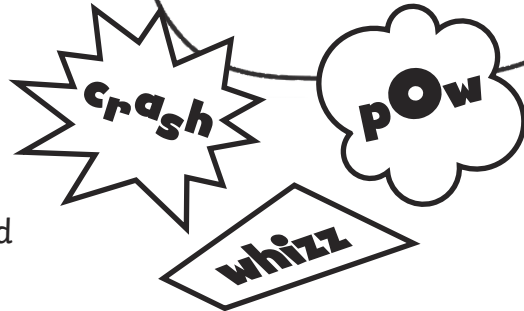
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## Quick Questions



Which of the following is the best description of this text type? Tick one.

- 1.**
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- 2.**
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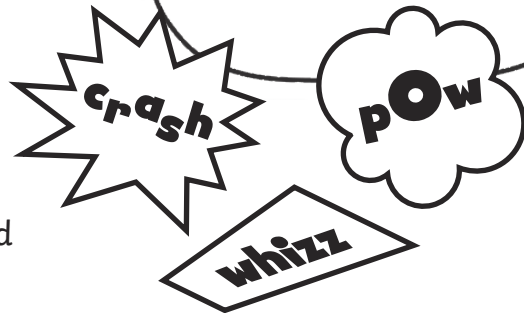
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## Answers



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- 2.** Accept any two of the following: plain A4 paper; ruler; pencil; pen; coloured crayons; colouring pens.

Predict what might happen if step 3 were removed from these instructions.

- 3.** Pupils' own responses, such as: If step 3 were removed, the reader may find it difficult to follow step 4 due to being unfamiliar with the meaning of 'panels'. They may draw pictures all over the page in any order.

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- 4.** Pupils' own responses, such as: Adding speech and thought bubbles could help the reader to understand and enjoy the story more by showing what characters are thinking and how they interact.

