

# Kid Scoop

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## Kid Scoop Together

### Charles' Favorite Sport: Hockey

Because Charles Schulz made so many comics featuring hockey, he was admitted into the U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame.

Growing up in St. Paul, MN, Charles used a hockey stick to hit tennis balls in his grandmother's basement. His mother helped him make goalie pads out of gunny sacks with rolled-up newspaper sewn inside. His father made an ice rink in their backyard where Charles and his friends played hockey whenever they could — even by streetlight at night.

Charles's love of hockey lasted his entire life. His five children all learned to skate.

In 1969, when a local ice arena closed, Charles bought it and opened the Redwood Empire Arena near his studio in Santa Rosa, CA.

Today, the ice arena is called Snoopy's Home Ice and is located next to the Charles M. Schulz Museum.

How many differences can you find between these two hockey players?

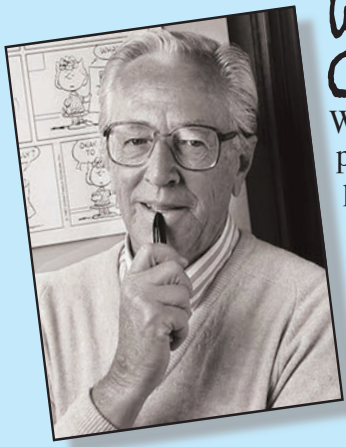


To learn more about Charles M. Schulz, visit [www.schulzmuseum.org](http://www.schulzmuseum.org)

# THANK YOU, CHARLES M. SCHULZ!

**COMIC STRIP GETS STAMPED:** The United States Postal Service has created the **Charles M. Schulz Forever** stamps to celebrate the fact that the creator of the **Peanuts** comic strip would have been 100 years old on November 26, 2022. Find out more about this legendary cartoonist on today's *Kid Scoop* page!

## WHO WAS CHARLES SCHULZ?



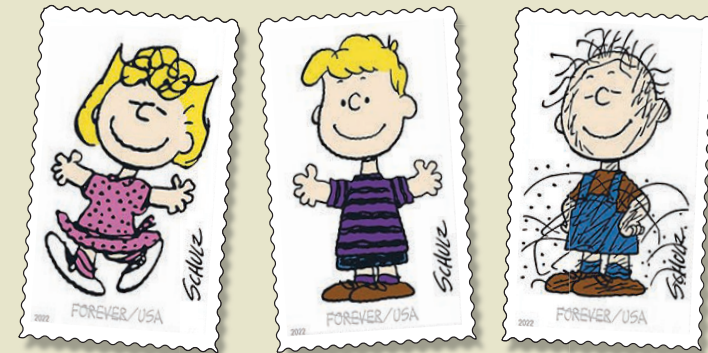
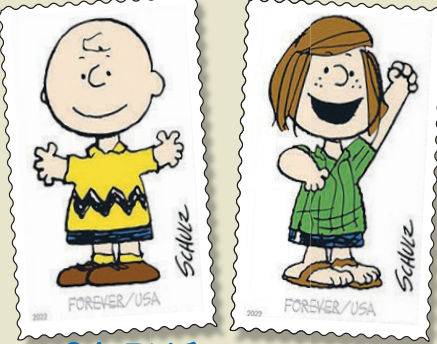
When Charles Schulz was a child, people called the newspaper comic pages "the funnies." And Charles was a boy who really *loved* the funnies.

Schulz read his local newspaper every day and wanted to make his own funnies one day. He started drawing as a youngster and kept drawing cartoons every day.

## PEANUTS CHARACTER MATCH

Do you know the names of these famous Peanuts characters featured on U.S. postage stamps? Do the math to label each character.

- 7 + 7 = Charlie Brown
- 8 - 2 = Schroeder
- 11 + 7 = Peppermint Patty
- 13 + 3 = Lucy
- 18 - 6 = Franklin
- 9 - 4 = Linus
- 8 + 5 = Pig-Pen
- 4 + 4 = Sally



## PEANUTS BY THE NUMBERS

- Charles drew **17,897** Peanuts comic strips.
- There have been **5** feature-length Peanuts movies.
- There have been **45** Peanuts television specials.

## SNOOPY

The Peanuts character **Snoopy** is based on a pet dog that Charles had as a child. Use the code to find out the name of this pet.

- = A
- = C
- = E
- = H
- = I
- = K
- = P
- = S



## Extra! Extra!

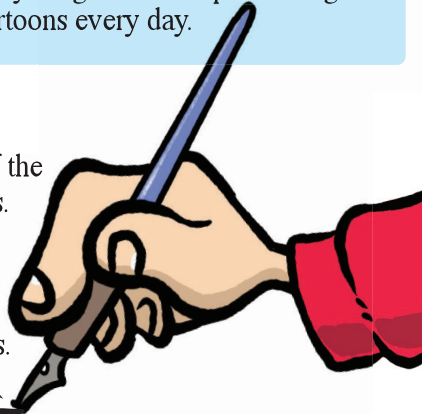
### Make a Comic Book

Every day, cut out your favorite comic strip from the newspaper. Glue the strips onto blank paper and make your own comic book!

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow written directions.

## SLOW START

Later in life, Schulz became one of the world's most successful cartoonists. But as a young man, he had a hard time finding a newspaper or magazine to buy his comic strip. He worked odd jobs to pay his bills.



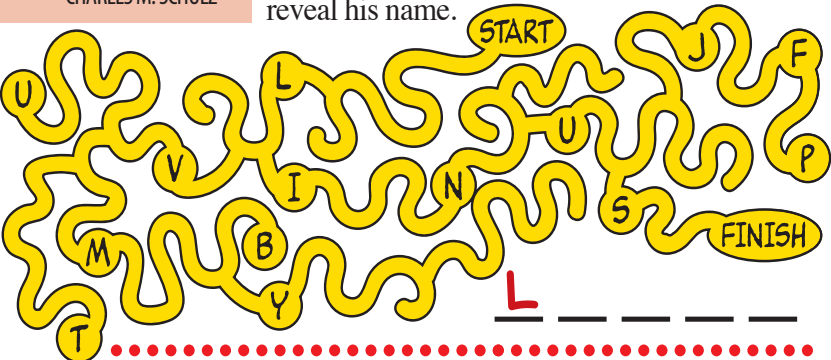
"The only thing I ever wanted to be was a cartoonist. That's my life. Drawing."

— CHARLES M. SCHULZ

## ARMY TO ART SCHOOL

During World War II, Charles was drafted into the United States Army. He brought a sketch pad and kept on drawing.

When he came home to Minnesota, he got a job teaching at the art school where he had studied. It was there he met a man who would become a friend for life. The letters on the correct path reveal his name.



## PEANUTS BEGINS

In 1947, the *St. Paul Pioneer Press* bought his comic strip, which was called **Li'l Folks**. In 1950, the strip's name was \_\_\_\_\_ to **Peanuts** because another comic strip had a name that was too \_\_\_\_\_.

From that small start, Peanuts became very \_\_\_\_\_. It was eventually \_\_\_\_\_ in more than 2,600 newspapers and 75 countries!

Charles Schulz wrote and \_\_\_\_\_ every single Peanuts comic strip himself for the next 50 years, inspiring generations of \_\_\_\_\_ cartoonists.

Replace the missing words.

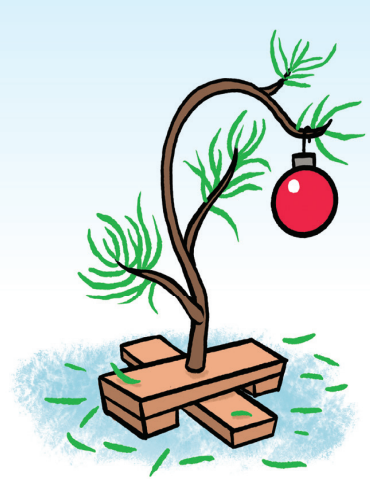
- CHANGED
- PUBLISHED
- FUTURE
- POPULAR
- SIMILAR
- DREW



## Kid Scoop Puzzler

### BEYOND COMIC STRIPS

The Peanuts characters were so popular that they were made into books, TV shows, a musical stage show, greeting cards, toys and even movies! Circle every other letter to find out the name of the first Peanuts television special, which aired on CBS in 1965.



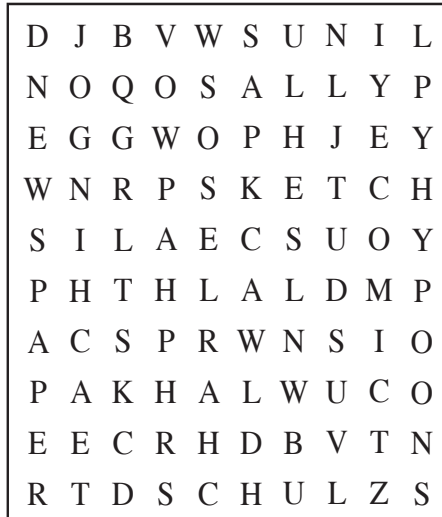
A V C D H N A S R  
T L W I K E J B U R  
I O Z W X N Q C  
B H P R D I V S  
R T L M U A I S Y

CH \_\_\_\_\_  
A \_\_\_\_\_

## Double Double Word Search

- NEWSPAPER
- CHARLES
- SCHULZ
- PEANUTS
- SNOOPY
- DRAW
- COMIC
- SKETCH
- DOG
- BOOKS
- LUCY
- LINUS
- SALLY
- PET
- TEACHING

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?



Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

## FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

### COMIC STRIP REWRITE!

Erase or white out the words in the bubbles in a comic strip in today's newspaper. Write in new words for the characters to be "saying."

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.



How do you know when a cartoonist is popular?

ANSWER: When they can draw a crowd.

## Write On!

### Happy Birthday, Charles M. Schulz

Write a short "Happy Birthday" note to Charles M. Schulz who would be 100 this year.