Roy Lichtenstein: History in the Making, 1940-1960 is the first major museum exhibition to investigate the early work of one of the most celebrated American artists of the 20th century.

Roy Lichtenstein was inspired by fairy tales, caricatures, folk art, and children’s art to create his own art. He made paintings, drawings, and sculptures which also drew on various forms of American culture, including representations of cowboys and Native Americans, and the Disney cartoon characters, Donald Duck and Mickey Mouse. Lichtenstein’s interest in popular culture influenced his famous sourcing of comic books, advertisements, and newspapers later on.
Materials:
- Drawing Paper or computer paper
- Elmer’s Glue
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Crayons in a variety of colors (or colored pencils)
- Black permanent marker

Let’s Create!
You can make your own drawings inspired by popular culture. Popular culture is all the things around us everyday. Some examples are movies, music, television shows, clothing, toys, and people!

STEP 1
Pick a character from popular culture to draw. If you want a challenge, choose up to three! Take your paper and hold it lengthwise. Fold it in half and then open it back up to show there are two sections.

STEP 2
Decide where your character will be and what they will be doing. Will you create two different scenes on your paper or one? Will the characters be outside or inside? Are they swimming or playing video games? Create the illustration of your character in pencil first and then fill it in with color.
STEP 3
Look at the last page of this Home Art Studio. There is a speech bubble and a thought bubble. Print out the page or draw the speech and thought bubbles on a separate sheet of paper. Cut out both the speech bubble and the thought bubble.

STEP 4
Think about what you’d like your character to say, then write it in the speech bubble. Do the same for the thought bubble. If you don’t want to write words, draw pictures or symbols inside the bubbles. Glue them onto your illustrations.

STEP 5
The final step is to take your black sharpie and outline your drawing to define the characters and shapes. Now you’ve finished this Home Art Studio!

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