

Planning illustrations Tips for Illustrating Book Pages



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## Before you draw:

Choose interesting scenes from your story to illustrate. Think—

What are the most important events?

When do my characters show a lot of action or feelings?

**@** Vary your pictures. Think—

When do I need to share an important detail or a character's feeling? (Show these scenes up close.)

When do I need to show characters in action? When is a change in the setting important? (Show these scenes a little farther away.)

Match details from your story in your illustrations.

## After you have your plan:

Draw your pictures in pencil.

O Use washable markers to fill in your drawings.

Use one color at a time.

Let the ink dry before moving to the next marker so the colors don't smear.

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Note to the teacher: Provide each child with a copy of the storyboard to complete his planning. Let students know that washable markers work best in creating a Studentreasures Classbook. Crayons and colored pencils do not reproduce well.