

SI 582 - Story Map

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Goals

- Learn how to sketch a story / comic
- Learn to sketch everyday things / objects
- Make sketching a habit

1+ hour of time

• Prepare to sketch

- Find time in my schedule
 - Look at the calendar to find free time
 - Move things in the schedule to make some time for sketching
- Find the tablet (touchscreen)
 - Charge the tablet
- Find a pencil and sketchbook
- Find a comfortable place to sit, preferably a table with a chair
 - Sit down with the tools and resources on the table, in a comfortable posture

• Sketching

- Select one object or figure to sketch
 - Would it be from memory, or from a list of resources or something that is suggested automatically?
 - Explore time-lapse videos of sketching contributed by community
 - Browse through featured sketches as reference
 - Search sketches based on keywords / tags
- Hold the pencil in hand and start sketching on paper
- Draw a bounding box to define the constraints of the sketch
- Use a grey / blue pencil. Draw basic shapes to give structure to the sketch.
- Use a standard graphite pencil. Draw over these basic shapes to refine the sketch into what you desire.
- Keep drawing till you are satisfied with the sketch's form
 - If there is a mistake, don't erase. Just draw over it.

• Feedback

- Open the "Sketch Sensei" (placeholder name) app on the tablet
- Use the feedback feature to click a photo of your sketch and select your reference image too.

- Select feedback mode: Artificial Intelligence (AI)
 - The app gives you suggestion on how to improve your sketch
 - You make the suggested improvements to the drawing
 - You decide to redraw the sketch, as there are many changes suggested
- The app approves of your sketch and gives you 10 reputation points
- You can now post your sketch to the community for peer review / feedback
- For each submission, you get 100 reputation points and 100 feedback coins
- Other users give you feedback and you give them (distribute) the feedback coins based on how helpful the feedback was.
 - The feedback coins they collect unlocks additional features and ability to submit more sketches
- Feedback session ends when time expires or you have distributed all feedback coins you had for this sketch
- Based on feedback, you decide to redraw / fix the sketch or move on to the next sketch
- Over time, you become better at sketching, your reputation improves, and you have fun!

15 minutes of time

- Open digital practice mode
- You get a faded sketch that you need to sketch over
- After sketching over it, you can see how well you sketched
- You can choose to fade your sketch and draw over it
- Once you are satisfied with the output, you can erase the faded layers to keep the latest sketch
- Each practice session gets you 2 reputation points

Intermittent breaks

- Open digital sketch improv mode
- You get assigned an available improv partner
- Each player takes a turn and draws a stroke on the canvas
- You can play your turn, go away and continue after a break
- The improv session ends when one of the player quits

