

Write Your Own Silent Film Storyboard about Tommy!


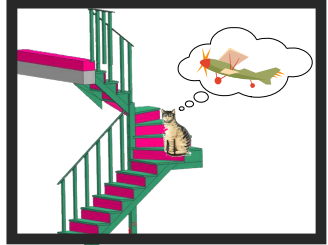


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The "Tommy Plane" was not only a star of the sky, but a film star as well, including appearing in the 1918 film "A Romance of the Air," which was produced by Carlton Pictures. The aerial scenes were filmed in Ithaca. In silent films, the actors did not speak. Instead, they used "subtitles" to tell the audience what was happening along the way. Now you can create your own silent film storyboard starring Tommy!

How to make your Silent Film Storyboard:

1. Create an adventure for the Tommy Plane to go on! Who or what does Tommy encounter along the way?
2. Each box is a snapshot of one scene/moment of your film. Draw a picture in each Action Box to represent the main action of your film.
3. Write a subtitle in between each action box. The subtitle can be an important line of dialogue, or an explanation of what is happening.

Example: Ithaca Kitty Visits Tommy

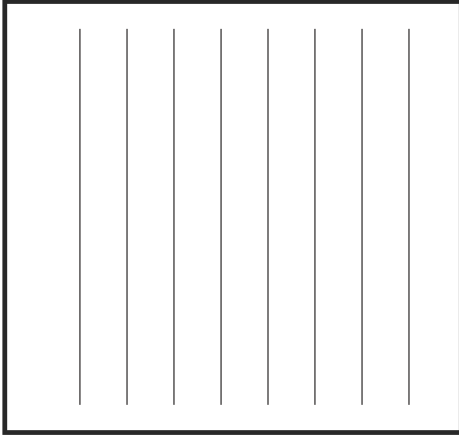
<p><i>Ithaca Kitty is lonely at the museum.</i></p>		<p><i>I'll go visit my friend Tommy!</i></p>	
	<p><i>Do you want to go an adventure with me?</i></p>		<p><i>Ithaca Kitty and Tommy go flying!</i></p>

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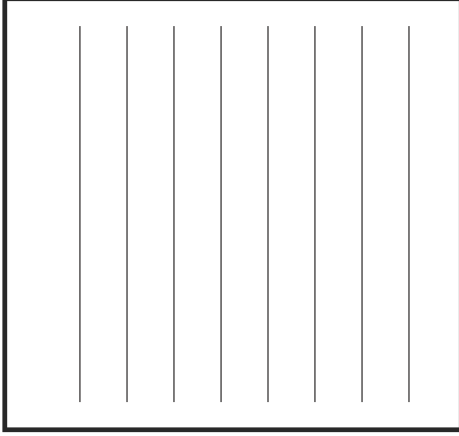
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Action Box



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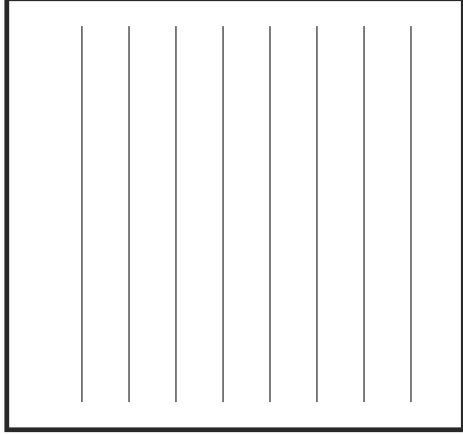
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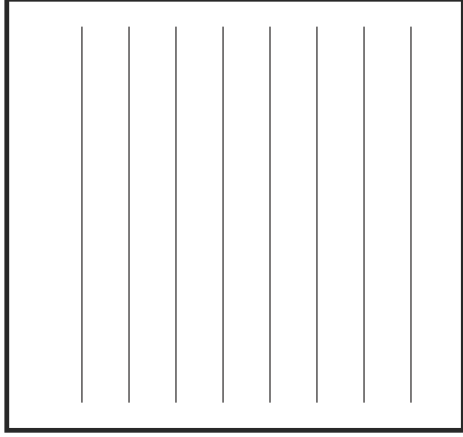
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Learn More About the Tommy Plane

Digital Links:

- **Tommy Plane - The History Center in Tompkins County**
 - www.thehistorycenter.net/Tommy-Plane
- **PEGASYS Presents #102: Tommy Comes Home (30min) - PEGASYS**
 - www.youtube.com/watch?v=oocNovpq1Qg
- **Tommy Comes Home (5min) - ICTV Report**
 - www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zaiwcr3p3eM&t=29s
- **Ithaca's Airplane - Air & Space Magazine**
 - www.airspacemag.com/history-of-flight/13_sep2018-ithacas-airplane-180969918/
- **Thomas Morse Scout S4-C - The Aviation History Online Museum**
 - www.aviation-history.com/thomas/scout.html

Related Archival Collections at The History Center in Tompkins County

- **Aviation Collection V-1-5-6**
- **BorgWarner/Morse Collection - V-64-1-1**
- **Morse Family Collection V-64-8-1**
- **Thomas-Morse/Consolidated Aircraft Photograph Collection FBO-0105**

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