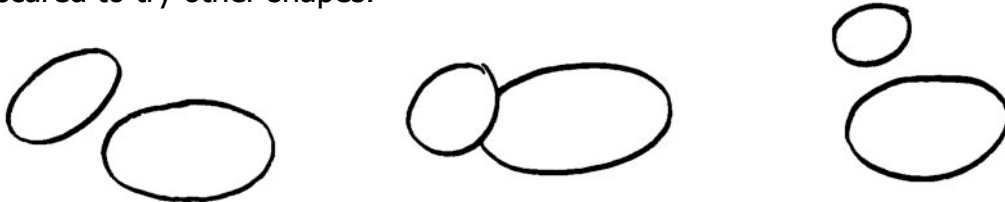


## CARTOON ANIMALS

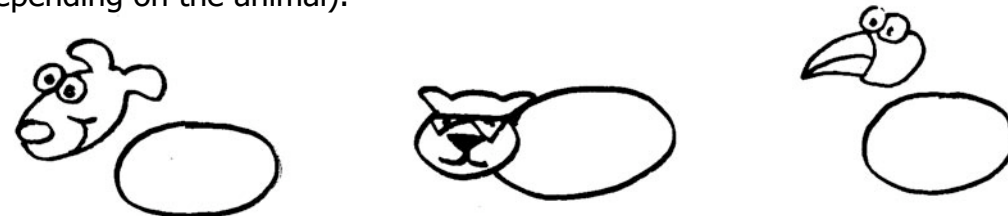
Have you noticed how popular cartoon animal characters are. Ask anyone to name a famous cartoon character and chances are it will be...Garfield, Bugs Bunny or Mickey Mouse. Cartoon animals are not that hard to draw. Drawing them is really an extension of drawing human characters. What is important, is to take care with individual animals features. For example, a tigers stripes or a rabbits ears.

### LETS HAVE A GO.

As with human characters start with simple shapes. Circles and ovals tend to be the best for animals but don't be scared to try other shapes.



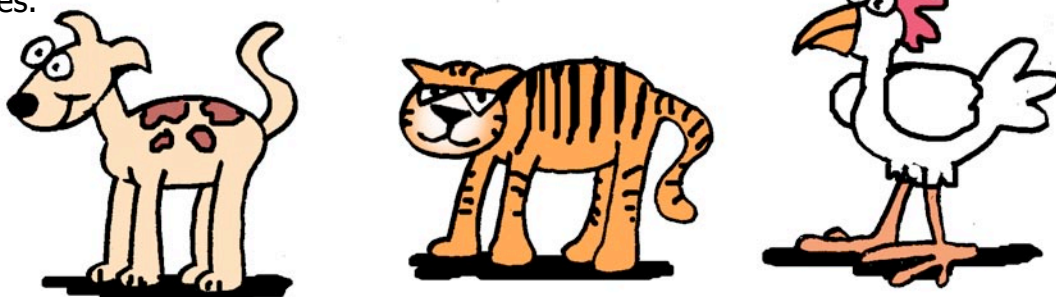
Now you add eyes (any shape), noses (usually ovals or triangles), mouths or beaks and ears (the shape depending on the animal).



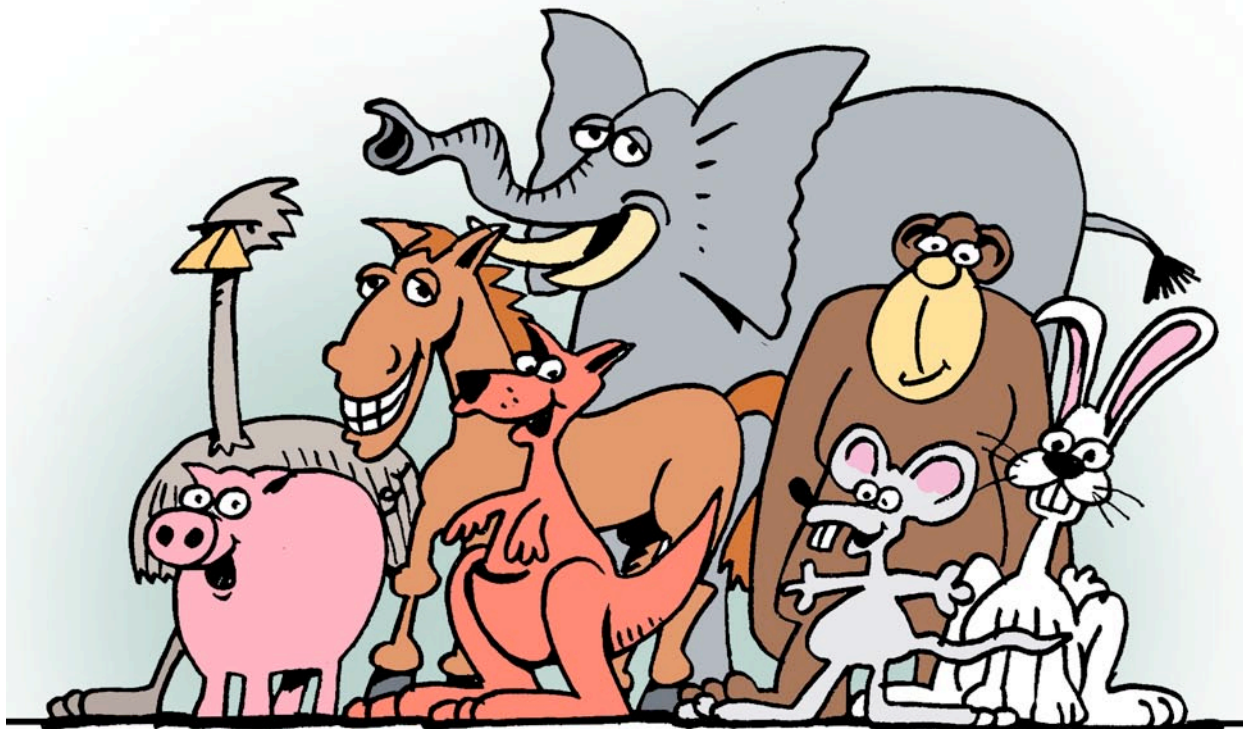
Draw in necks, legs, feet, hooves or claws and tails if necessary.



Finally add details like stripes, spots, fur and scales, whatever your animal requires.



Here are some animals you might like to practice with. Try and work out the simple basic shapes used to start each animal.



Now start drawing your own. It's a good idea to do some research first. Look up animals in books, magazines and on the internet to find out their distinctive features. Simplify or exaggerate these features when you draw them. Keep in mind the size and position of the head compared to the body when you start drawing.



### CARTOONING CLASSES

Classes are available for children at the following places in Australia.

#### Adelaide

During school terms. 7–12yrs  
Contact John Martin 08 8297 8516  
martinart@tpg.com.au

#### Melbourne

8 week courses during school term.  
5–13yrs  
Contact Alan Rose 03 9555 1913  
rose@majestic.net.au

#### Brisbane

School holidays. 7–12yrs and 12–16yrs  
Contact Joanne Brooker 0422 662 019  
purplespider@optusnet.com.au

#### Perth

Cartoon workshops in schools.  
Contact Jason Chatfield 0407 195 485  
jason@jasonchatfield.com

One feature to take particular attention to is animal feet. Here are some examples to help you.

