



Introduction:

For this project you will be creating your own superhero comic book featuring Siddhartha Gautama's life. This is a chance for you to show off your creativity and knowledge as it applies to what we have learned about Buddhism's origins and values. You will need to complete a number of steps that will help you on your way to your finished comic book, so let's get started!

Authenticity Disclaimer: Creativity is strongly encouraged, but please remember to make your stories as historically accurate as possible. Names and events may be slightly embellished or altered to fit with your theme or plot, but please make sure they are recognizable and representative of the actual people and events that took place.

Key Elements:

Your comic books need to incorporate several key elements specific to the comic book genre. **YOU WILL NEED TO TURN THIS PACKET IN ALONG WITH YOUR FINISHED COMIC BOOK!** Please use the following list to check off which elements you have completed as the project progresses:

- Superhero Name
- Super Power
- Alter-ego (who your hero is when he/she is not being a superhero. For example, Superman's alter-ego is Clark Kent, a Journalist at the Daily Planet)
- Villain (with accompanying power)
- Origin Story (Your comic book will be predominantly a Superhero origin story, but should include elements of the conflict, resolution, and moral theme that are part of Siddhartha's story)
- Conflict
- Resolution
- Moral/Theme

Step 1: The Hero

Create your superhero name and power! Names can be derivative of Siddhartha's original name or completely new, but he/she must have powers or characteristics that represent an actual quality or trait of Siddhartha.

Superhero name: _____

Super power: _____

Step 2: The Day Job

Create your alter-ego! As with the superhero name, the alter-ego name can also be derivative of Siddhartha's original name (Siddhartha Gautama). Give your alter-ego a name, and briefly describe what his/her "normal" job/life is like.

Alter-ego: _____

Description of alter-ego:

Step 3: The Bad Guy (or Girl)

Create a villain who will attempt to thwart Siddhartha, his goals and virtues. Give him/her an evil power, and briefly describe their reason, or motivation, for wanting to undo your hero.

Villain's Name: _____

Evil Power: _____

Motivation:
