BEGINNINGS OF COMIC BOOKS AND GRAPHIC NOVELS: A SEQUENCE IN SEQUENTIAL ART

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Sequential art refers to the art form of using a succession of images displayed in sequence to convey a graphic narrative or to transmit information. The best-known example of sequential art is the comic, which is an agreement of art prints and balloons, especially in comic strips and graphic novels. The term is also applied to other media, such as film, animation or storyboards. Scott McCloud notes in Understanding Comics that the movie roll, before it is being projected, arguably could be seen as a very slow comic.

Sequential art predates comics by millennia. Some of the earliest examples are...