# **DIGITAL SKILLS FOR TEENS**



### **Digital cartoons—Pre-Intermediate**

#### Let's discuss

A Read the text and answer the questions.

A **digital cartoon** is usually made up of 4–8 frames, with speech bubbles to represent what the characters are saying. This idea originally came from traditional comic books but, these days, there are a lot of websites that help you make a brilliant comic of your own to illustrate or animate your ideas.

You can convert photos and animations into cartoons and invent your own stories or even make short films, depending on the online tool you choose. You can also add music, sounds and other media to make your digital and animated cartoons more entertaining.

- 1. What is interesting or attractive from digital cartoons?
- 2. What can you use animated cartoons for?

#### Let's analyse

B Look at the example of a cartoon strip. Answer the questions in pairs.



- 1. What does the boy want to buy? What does he do to get it?
- 2. What can you add to this cartoon to make it more attractive?
- 3. What can you use this cartoon for?



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### Let's do it!

- **Step 1** You are going to make a digital cartoon about how you see yourself in the future. You can try an animated cartoon creator. Use your imagination! Choose a job you would like to do or the life you would like to have and think about how you are going to spend your time.
- **Step 2** There are many digital cartoon creators. Go online and search for one you like. Some are very simple; some even help you to make animated cartoons. Watch some tutorials to help you choose.
- Step 3 Create your digital cartoon. You can add audio to make it more interesting. Remember to use phrases to talk about the future.
- **Step 4** When you have finished, check the language in your digital cartoon and save it. Share it with your teacher and classmates.
- Step 5 Look at some of the cartoons your classmates have made. Who would they like to be in the future?

