

Thumbnail Windows #1

Time to Complete:	20 minutes
Mission:	To doodle out a 24 page visual book without worrying about how the book will be bound or if the pages appear in the proper sequence.
Outcome:	You should have very simple, sketchy images in each rectangle. Together they will tell the story, or communicate the idea you want, in a rough draft format.
Potential Difficulty:	You may get stuck on a particular rectangle and feel like you don't have an idea to put in there. Just skip over it and keep going because you might return to it later with a great idea. Also, you might feel obligated to do very detailed images but this might be hard to do in such a small area. Just doodle and sketch in the lines.
Steps to Complete the Exercise:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Draw some really simple images in the rectangles that shows your characters, settings, actions, and voices.2. Go to the next rectangle and draw the next image inside it.3. Skip any rectangles that you get stuck on and come back to them later.
Ways to Avoid Failure:	Give yourself permission to leave some areas incomplete. This exercise is just to give you a place to jot down a simplified overview of your entire book. Avoid being too detailed and too strict with the pacing, it's just a draft.