

What's Buster Up To?

Create Your Own Story
with Ernest Franklin's Illustrations

Ernest Franklin (1942-2010) was a Navajo artist who illustrated many books for children and adults.

Ernest painted the illustrations for Tony Hillerman's book, *Buster Mesquite's Cowboy Band*. You can borrow this book from your local library.

Could you create your own story using Ernest Franklin's pictures?

On the next page, make up a title for your story.

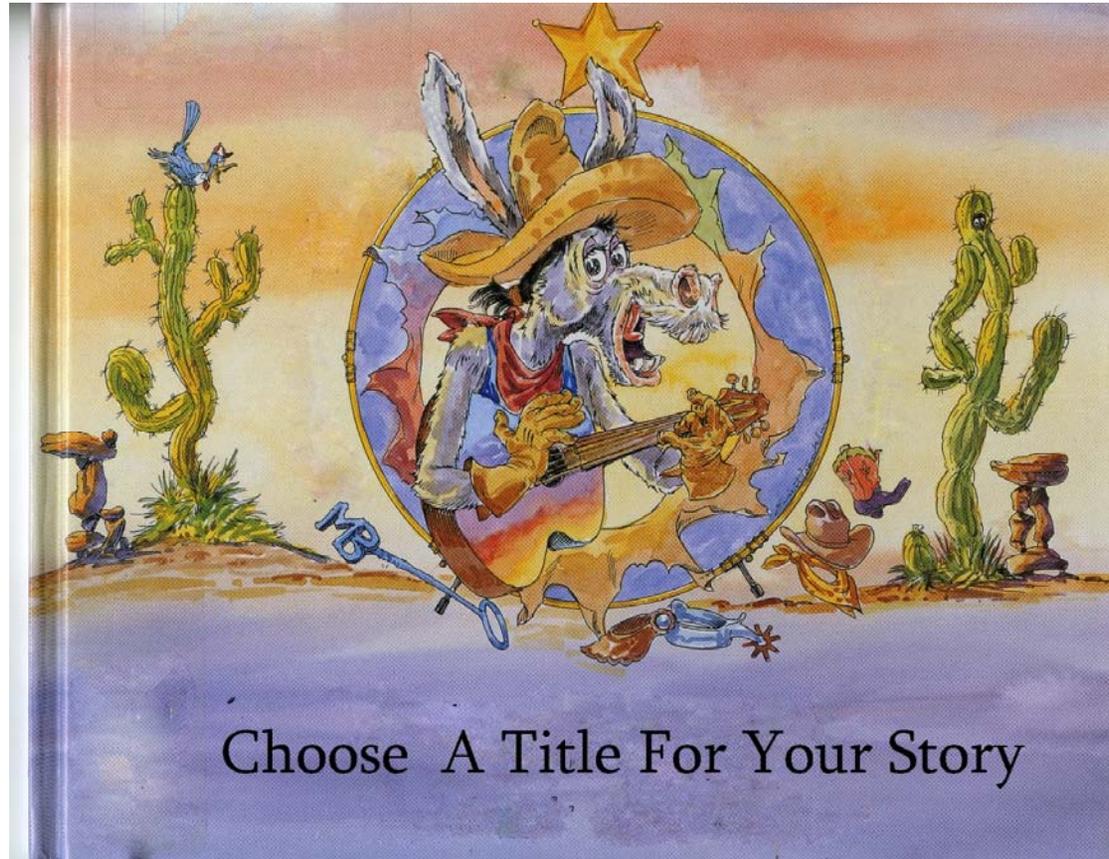
Then on the following pages, look at the picture and write about what you see in the space provided – Who is in the picture? What are they doing? Are they happy or sad, friendly or angry?

Think about how each of the pictures fit together, to make a whole story. What happens to the cowboy animals in each picture that leads them from the first picture to the last?

When you are finished, send your story to us at the University of New Mexico and we will put it on the Tony Hillerman Portal website, so you can show your friends! (See details on last page).

Good Luck!





Your Story Title



Where is Buster going?

Write Your Story Here



What are Buster and his friend going to do?

Write Your Story Here



Why is the Cowgirl Sad?

Write Your Story Here



What's Happening Over There?!

Write Your Story Here



Write Your Story Here

Why are the Animals Having a Party?

Send Us Your Story!

- When you are finished writing your story, please send us a copy so we can put it on the Tony Hillerman Portal website (<http://ehillerman.unm.edu>)!
- You can make a scanned copy and email it to us at: cswrref@unm.edu
- Or you can make a Xerox copy of your story and mail it to:

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