

# 44 Cartoonist

The main job of a cartoonist is to create drawings, either by hand or with electronic aids. Some cartoonists may specialize in cartoons for books, weekly magazines or advertisements. They may produce their work for publishers on their own or with the help of an assistant cartoonist.

## **Becoming a cartoonist:**

There are no specific qualifications or academic requirement to become a cartoonist. Many cartoonists whose work appear in weekly magazines started out by entering a contest or by winning an “up-and-coming” award or by simply showing a publishing company their work. Some started by learning from another cartoonist while working as their assistant. It is also possible for aspiring cartoonists to study illustration at a vocational school.