

Scott McCloud and the Rights of Comic Creators for *Comics Will Break Your Heart* by Faith Erin Hicks

- 1) Scott McCloud is an expert on comics, how they're written and how they've become such an important part of our cultural history.

Watch his TED Talk together:

https://www.ted.com/talks/scott_mccloud_on_comics?language=en

McCloud talks about the nuances of each element of comics, and how they represent sequential storytelling, and he uses evidence from history to show the importance of this artform.

So why don't people take comics seriously? Why are they thought of as childish or not valuable as an art form?

- 2) Grab some comics books and/or graphic novels from your library, and have a look at the artwork itself. See if you can work together to find multiple examples of the elements of a comic book https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Glossary_of_comics_terminology
- 3) Now when you think about all those terms, and the people who made the comics you examined, you might begin to sympathize more with Mir's family and the complex nature of their relationship with the Warricks.

Scott McCloud has drafted this Rights of Comic Creators which has links inside each number.

<http://scottmccloud.com/4-inventions/bill/rights.html>

Take a look at each right and see if you can identify how Mir's grandfather's rights were compromised.

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