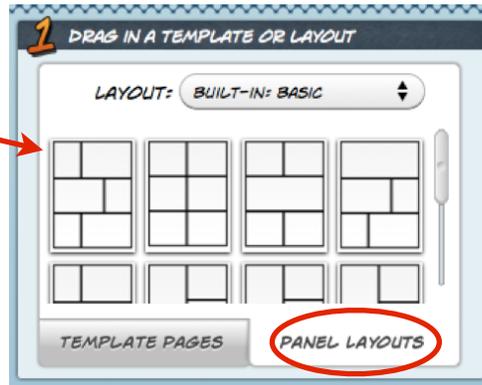# Using Comic Life 2

Step 1: Choosing a template

Click on **Panel Layouts** to access the templates. (You can click on the **Layout** button to see more templates). Click, hold, and drag to add the template to your blank page.

Step 2: Adding images

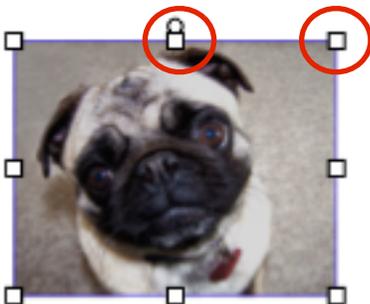You can add images three ways: iPhoto, Finder, or Camera.
iPhoto: If you click the **iPhoto tab**, it will show you the images you have in iPhoto.
Finder: If you have an image saved to another folder on your computer, use the **Finder tab** to navigate to the image.
Camera: To capture an image, use the **Camera tab** and choose the **freeze button** to take the picture.
Whichever way you choose, just click, hold, and drag your selected image to a panel.

Step 3: Editing images

Resize: Choose one of the square handles and click, hold, and drag it in or out.
Rotate: Click, hold, and rotate your image by choosing the circle at the top center of the picture.
Move: Click and hold anywhere on your image to move it.
If you need to go back and edit your image, double-click on the image to select it.

Step 4: Adding and editing speech balloons

Select a **balloon** from the **Element Well** on the bottom and click, hold, and drag it to your panel. Type your text. Then, click outside of the ballon. To edit the text again, double-click it. To change the size of the text, double-click the balloon to highlight the text blue. Then, click the **Bigger** or **Smaller** button in the top tool bar. To change the font, select the text and then use the **Fonts** button in the tool bar on the top.

Resizing your balloon: Click once on the balloon to select it. Click, hold, and drag the handle to size it.
Moving your balloon and tail: Click and hold in the middle of the green circle with arrows and move your balloon around.
Change balloon position: Click anywhere on the balloon and move it.
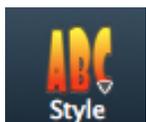
Change tail position: Click off of the balloon and click and move the blue dot at the tip of the tail.

Step 5: Adding captions

Drag and drop a **caption box** from the **Element Well** at the bottom to a panel. Type your text. To go back and edit it, double-click it. With the text selected, you can use the **Font** button to change the style. You can move, resize, and rotate the caption the same way you can an image.

Step 6: Adding lettering

Drag and drop the **Lettering** button from the **Element Well** at the bottom into a panel. To edit your lettering, type something right away and then click off of it. To edit it later, double-click it.
Move your lettering: Click, hold, and drag it to another location.
Resize your lettering: Move your mouse over the lettering. Grab one of the blue handles to stretch it out.
Rotate your lettering: Click on your lettering one time. Click and hold the circle at the top center of the lettering to rotate it.
Change the size: Choose one of the square handles and click, hold, and drag to size.
Change the style: Use the style button to change the style of the lettering.