

What are the top 5 visual elements found in a graphic novel?

(Visually, what makes a graphic novel a graphic novel?)

1. Dialogues

- a. Dialogue bubbles (speech balloons)
- b. Thought bubbles (thought balloons)
- c. Captions
- d. Lettering that changes to reflect the characters emotions.

2. Ideograms

3. Onomatopoeias

4. Movement lines

5. Panels/Frames

- a. Variety of views (close-up, panoramic, general...)
- b. Vertical, horizontal, regular, overlapping....
- c. Regular, full page and floating....
- d. Looking up, looking down
- e. Gutters