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Introduction

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Launch Pixie.

Click the Start button.

Click All Programs, click the Tech4Learning folder, click the Pixie folder, and click Pixie 3.
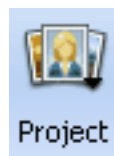
Pixie will open.

You will see a blank page.
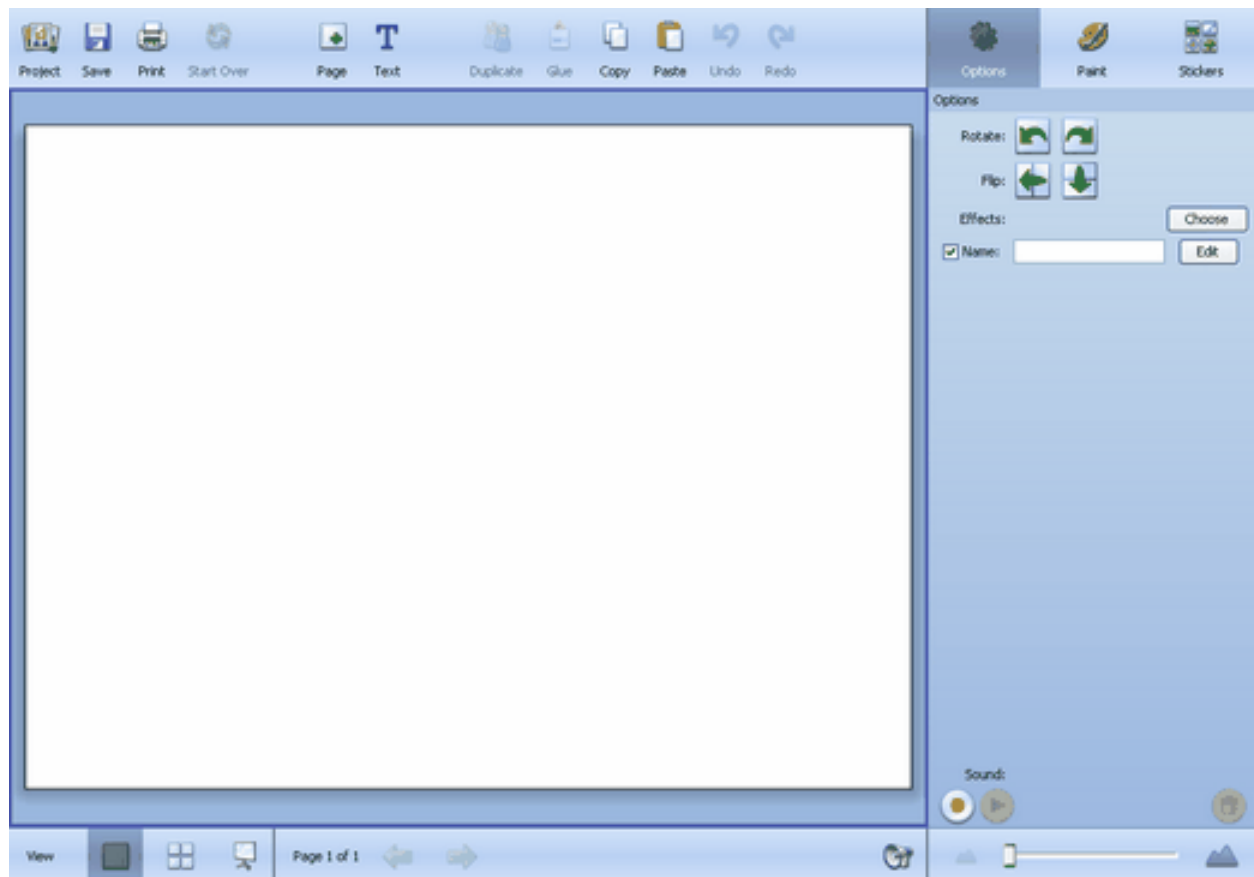
Open an Activity

You can use activities in Pixie to start your projects.

Click the Project button on the toolbar.

You will see the Project menu.

Move the cursor over the Activities option in the list on the left.

You will see the Activities folders.

Click the All About Me folder.

All About Me

Click the My Family activity.

My Family

The activity will open in Pixie.

Use the Shape Tool

You can use the Shape tool to paint a circle. This is a great way to start painting faces.

Click the Paint button on the toolbar.

Paint

Click the Shape tool on the tool palette.
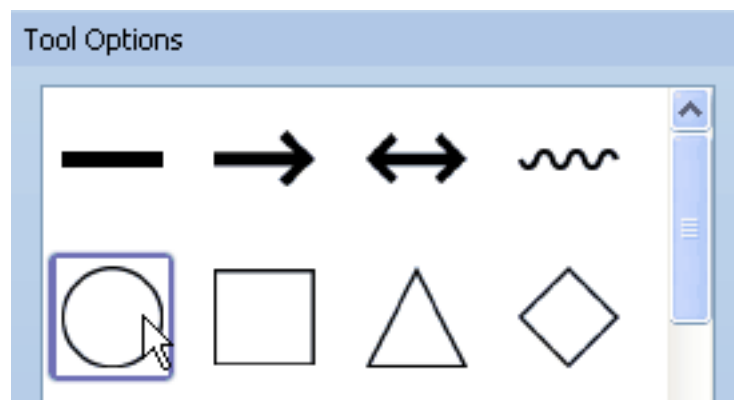
You will see shapes in the Tool Options area.

Click the circle.

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Click the solid square button below the shapes to draw a solid circle.

Click your skin color on the color palette.

Move the cursor over the picture.
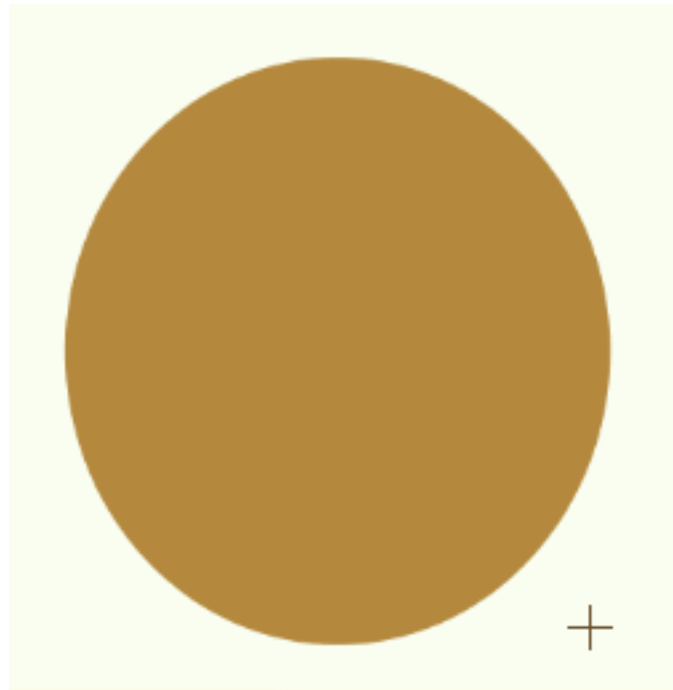
It will change to a crosshair.

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Move the cursor over the space you want to paint.

Click and hold the mouse button down as you drag across the page.

You will see a circle.

Use the Undo Button

You can undo your work if you want to try again.

Click the Undo button the toolbar.

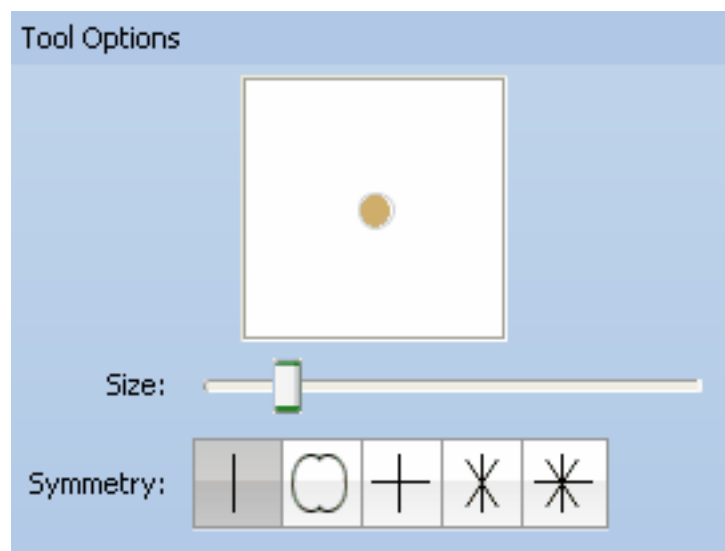
The last thing you painted will undo.

Use the Paint Brush Tool

You can use the Paint Brush tool to paint on a page.

Click the Paint Brush tool on the tool palette.

You will see the brush options.

Click and drag the Size slider to change the size of the brush.

Click a color on the color palette that matches your hair color.

Move the cursor over the picture.
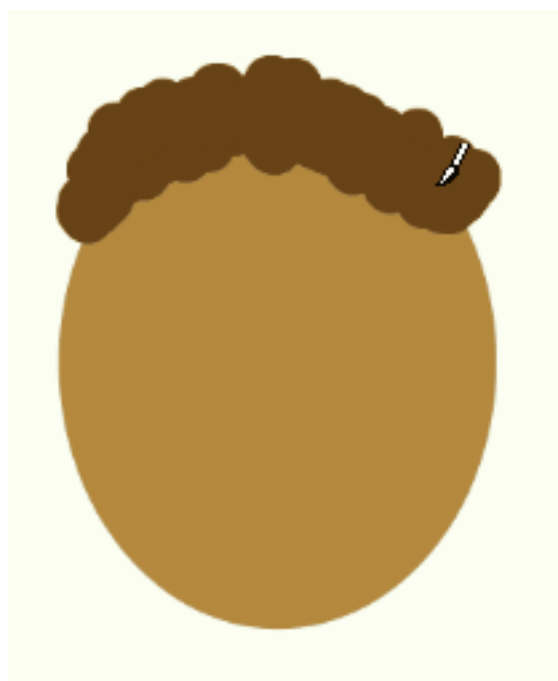
It will change to a paint brush.

Move the cursor to the place you want to start painting your hair.

Click and hold the mouse button down and drag the cursor to paint with the Paint Brush tool.
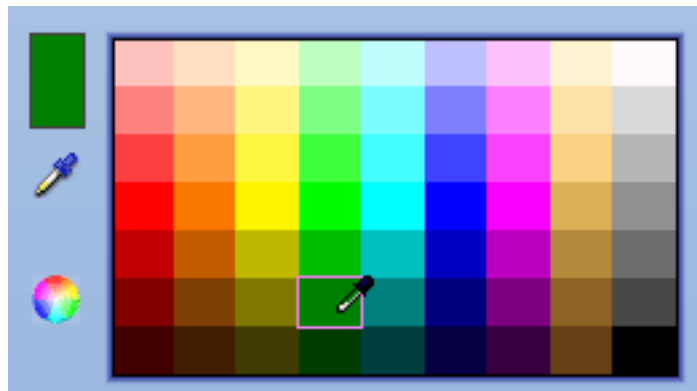
Let go of the mouse button.

Use the Paint Brush tool to add more hair if you need to.

Click the Undo button on the toolbar to try again.

Click a color on the color palette that matches your eyes.

Move the cursor over the picture where you want to paint one of your eyes.

Click and drag to paint.

Let go of the mouse button.

Move the cursor where you want to paint your other eye.
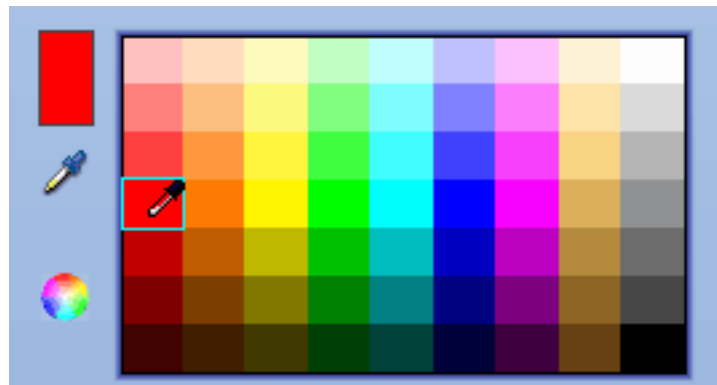
Click and drag to paint an eye.

Let go of the mouse button.

Click the Undo button on the toolbar if you want to try again.

Click a red color on the color palette for your mouth.

Move the cursor over the picture where you want to paint your mouth.

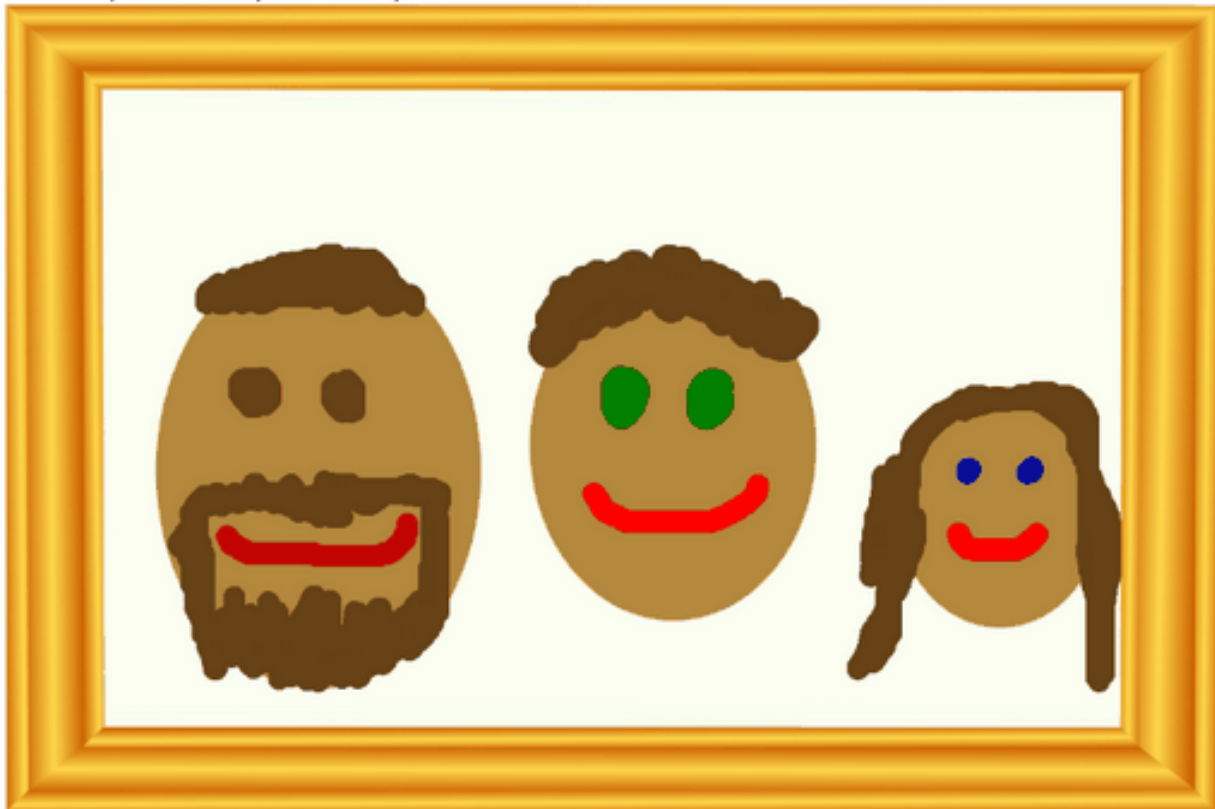Click and drag to paint your mouth.

Let go of the mouse button.

Click the Undo button on the toolbar to try again.

Repeat these steps to paint pictures of the rest of your family.
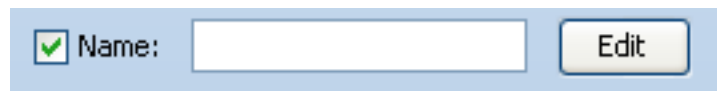
Add Your Name to the Page

Click the Options button on the toolbar.

You will see the empty Name field.

Click in the field.

Type your name.

Your name will show in the upper right corner of the page.

Move Between Pages

Click the green arrow at the bottom of the screen.
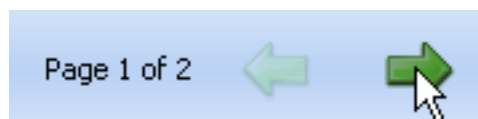
You will see the Things I Do At Home page.

Things I do at Home.

Paint pictures and add stickers of things you do at home.
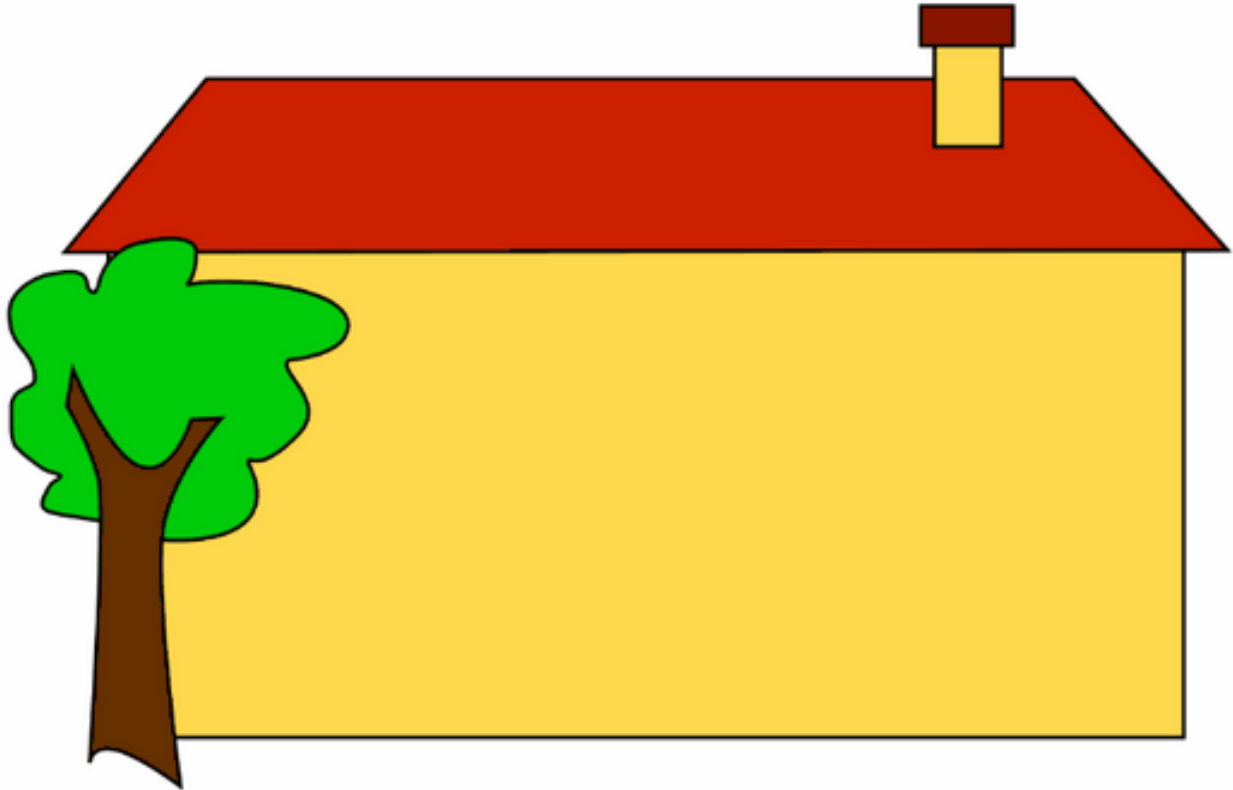
Add a Sticker

You can add clip art to your picture from the Stickers library.

Click the Stickers button on the toolbar.
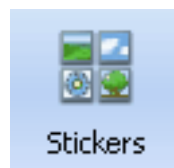
Stickers

You will see the folders in the Stickers library.

The Stickers panel has a scrollbar on the right.

Move the cursor over the middle of the scrollbar.

Click and drag the scrollbar so you can see the Sports and Leisure folder.

Let go of the mouse button.

Click the Sports and Leisure folder.

Click the folder picture in the lower right corner of this folder.

Sports and Leisure

The folder will open. You will see more sports folders inside.

Click the Sports folder.

Sports

Click the folder picture in the lower right corner to open it.

Sports

You will see the stickers in the Sports folder.

Click your favorite sport.

Click the green arrow in the lower right corner of the picture.
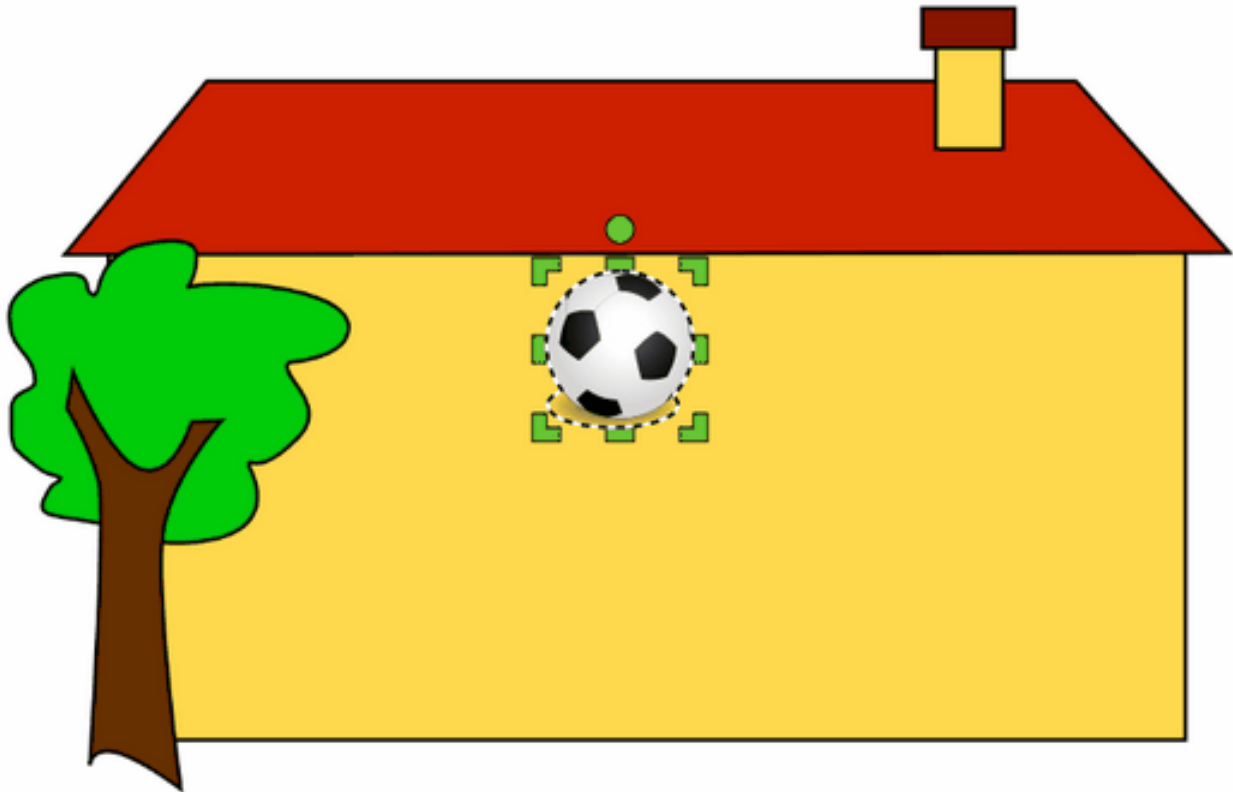
The sticker will be added to the middle of the page.

Things I do at Home.

Paint pictures and add stickers of things you do at home.

Click the Home button at the top of the Stickers panel.

You will see all of the folders in the Stickers library.

Click the Food folder.

Click the folder picture in the lower right corner to open this folder.

Food

You will see more food folders.

Click and drag the scrollbar to see the Snacks folder.

Click the Snacks folder.

Click the folder image in the lower right corner.

You will see the stickers in the Snacks folder.

Click your favorite kind of snack food.

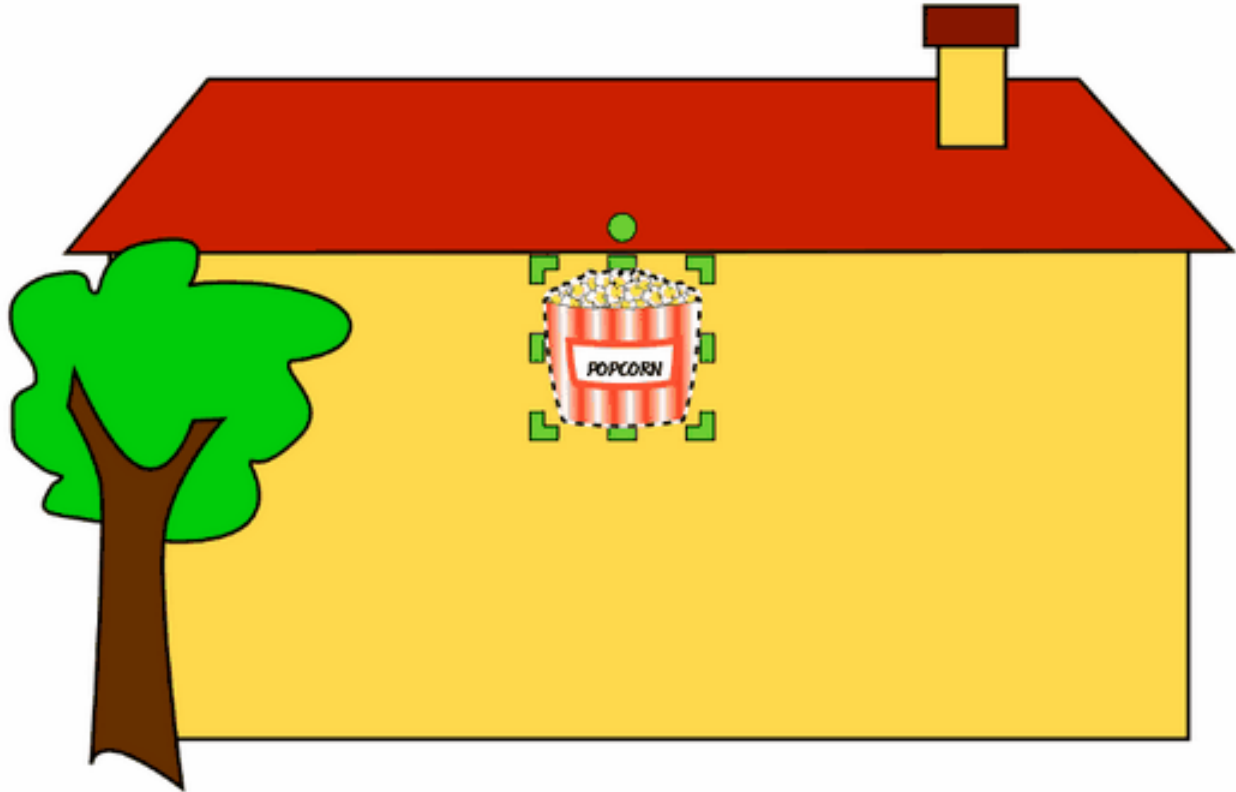Click the green arrow in the lower right corner of the picture.

The sticker will be added to the middle of the page.

It will be in the same place as the sticker of your favorite sport.

Things I do at Home.

Paint pictures and add stickers of things you do at home.

Move a Sticker

You can move a sticker to a new place on the page.

Move the cursor over the sticker of your favorite snack.

You will see the cursor change to four arrows.

Click and drag the sticker to a new place on the page.

Let go of the mouse button.

The sticker will stay in this new place on the page.

Click and drag to move the other sticker.

Resize a Sticker

You can resize a sticker.

The sticker of your favorite sport is still selected.

Move the cursor over one of the green handles on the corner of the sticker.

You will see the cursor change to two arrows.

Click and drag to resize the sticker.

Drag away from the middle of the sticker to make it larger.

Drag toward the middle of the sticker to make it smaller.

The sticker will stay at this new size.

Resize other stickers you want to change.

Practice with Stickers

Click the Home button on the Stickers panel.

Click and drag the scrollbar and find the Technology folder.

Click the folder icon to open the folder.

Technology

Add a sticker of your favorite technology tool at home.

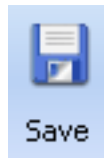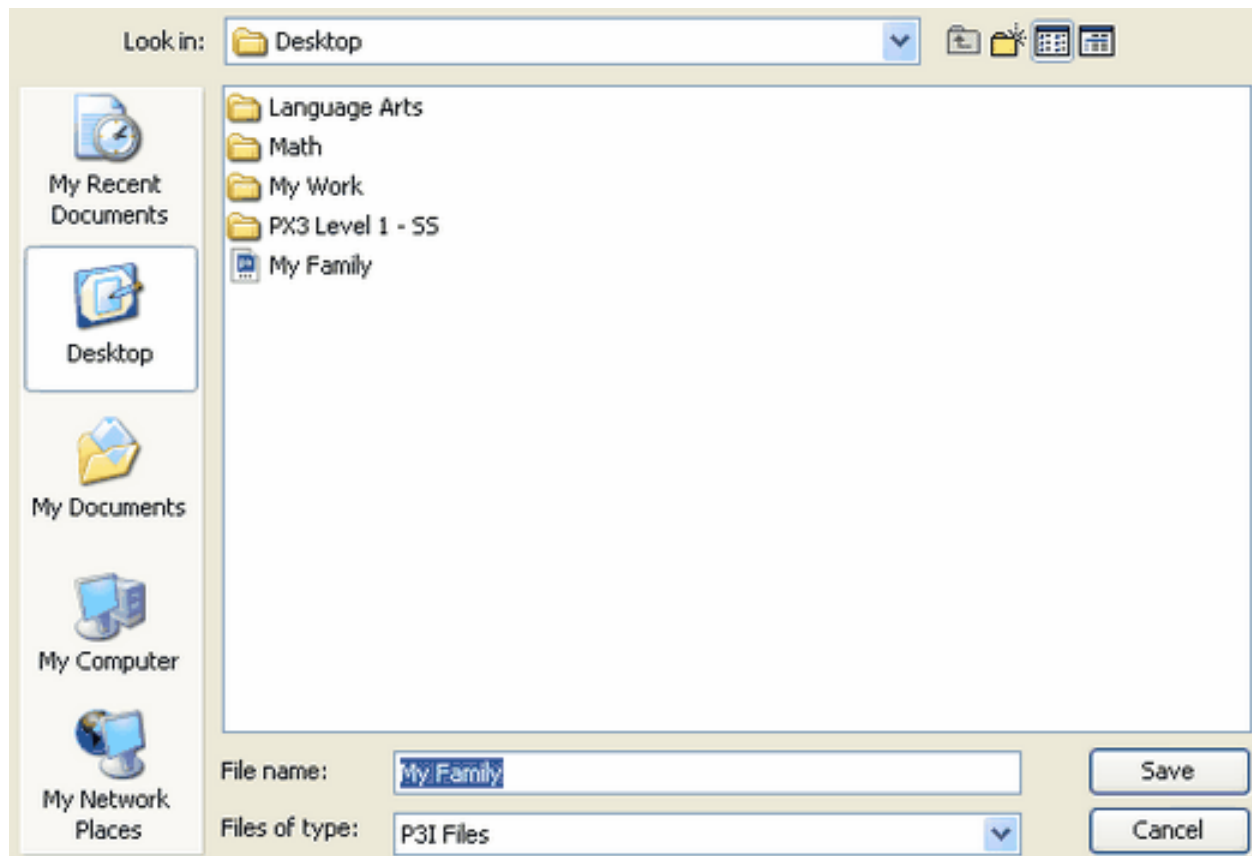
Move the sticker.

Resize the sticker.

Save

You can save this Pixie file.

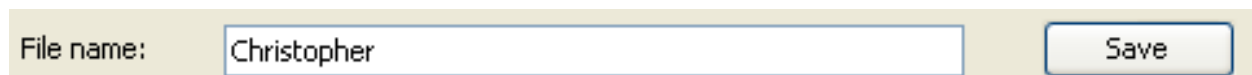Click the Save button on the toolbar.

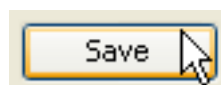You will see the Save Project As window.

Type your name.

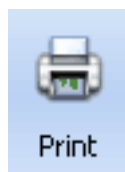You will see this in the File Name field.

Click the Save button.
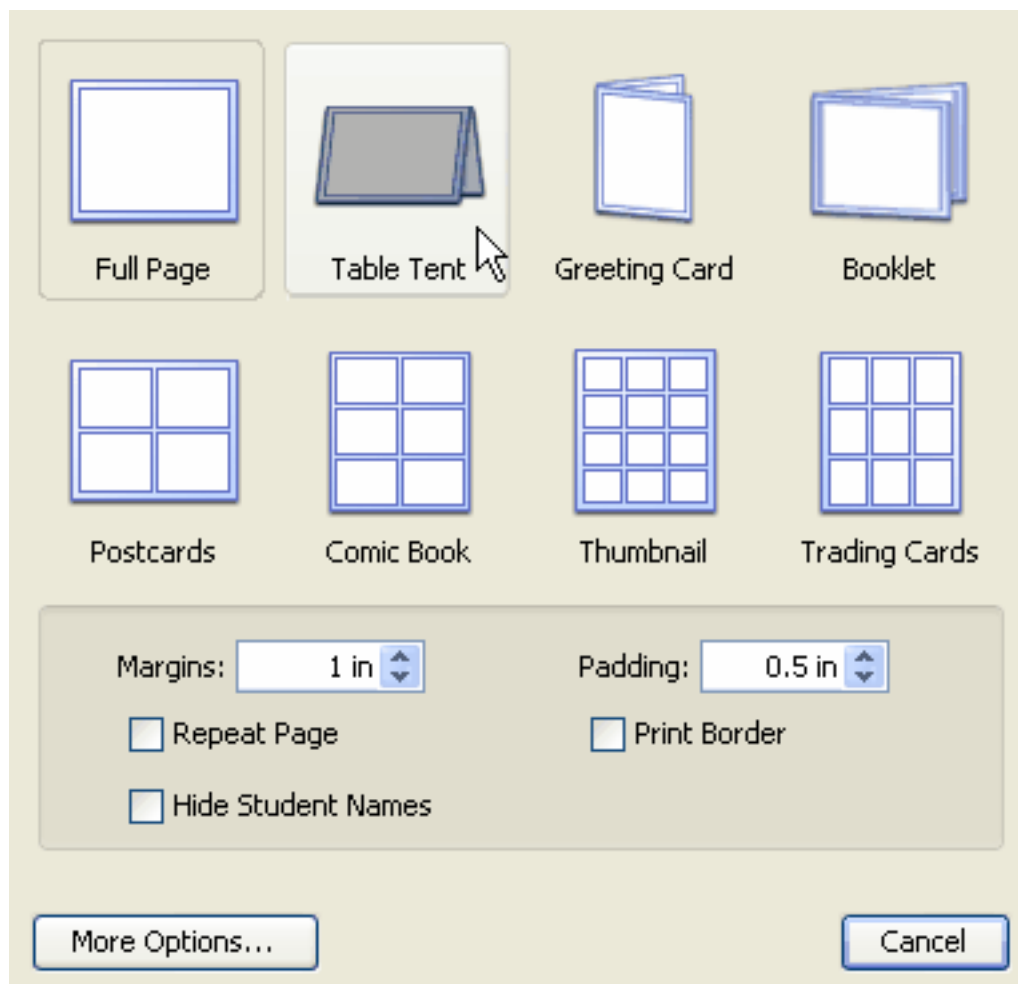
Print as Table Tent

You can print your pictures as a table tent. This will print one piece of paper with both of your pictures.

Click the Print button on the toolbar.

You will see the Print window.

Click the Table Tent icon.

Click the Print button.

The pictures will print.

Fold the paper in half and put it on your desk as a table tent.

Conclusion

Click the File menu and click Exit.

Congratulations! You now know the basics of Pixie.

You learned how to:

Open an Activity

Use the Shape Tool

Use the Undo Button

Use the Paint Brush Tool

Add Name to Page

Add a Sticker

Move a Sticker

Resize a Sticker

Save

Print a Table Tent