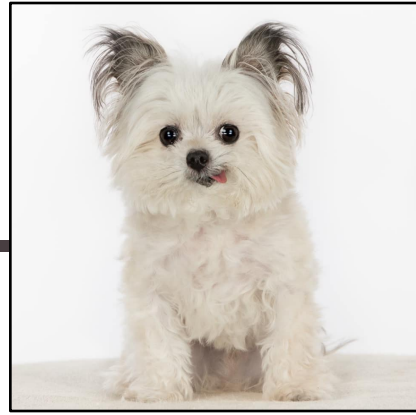


# NORBERT AT HOME

## PROJECT PAGE

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## IF THEY COULD TALK

IF THEY COULD TALK, WHAT MIGHT ANIMALS OR OBJECTS SAY?

When Norbert's first book *Norbert: What Can Little Me Do?* was written, the author and illustrator imagined life from Norbert's point of view and wrote the story in his voice. This project idea is inspired by that process.

If your pet could tell a story, what might he or she say? If you don't have a pet, how about the bird you see outside your window, or another animal you have seen? Or, what might an object say? For example, what might a shoe or hat say? A spoon or mug? A favorite toy? A bicycle?

### What You Need:

Paper, any kind or size is fine

Pencil, pen, crayons, markers or colored pencils

### What to Do:

1. Choose an animal or an object at home that interests you. Draw it with a facial expression.
2. Write or tell a story and draw a picture about what the animal or object might say if it could talk. Think about these questions: What makes it happy? What does it like to do? What can it do well? What does it wonder about? What are its dreams?



### More you can do:

- What might two animals or two objects say if they had a conversation together? How could they be friends, even if they were different from each other?

### Think About Your Story Thing:

- What was it like to think about things from another point of view?
- What did you like about the story and drawing you made?
- What new stories could you write from more points of view?