COMIC LIFE MANUAL
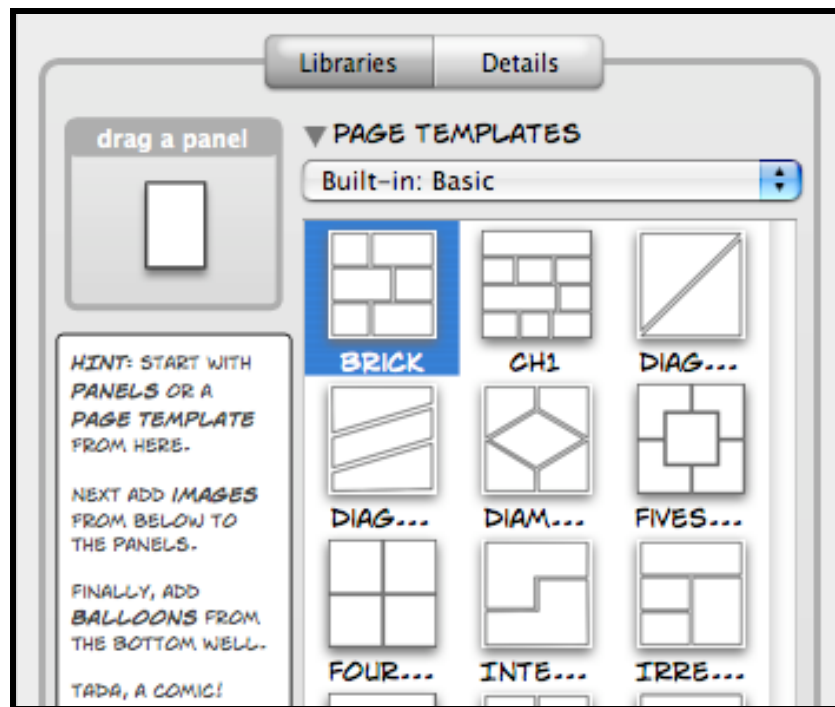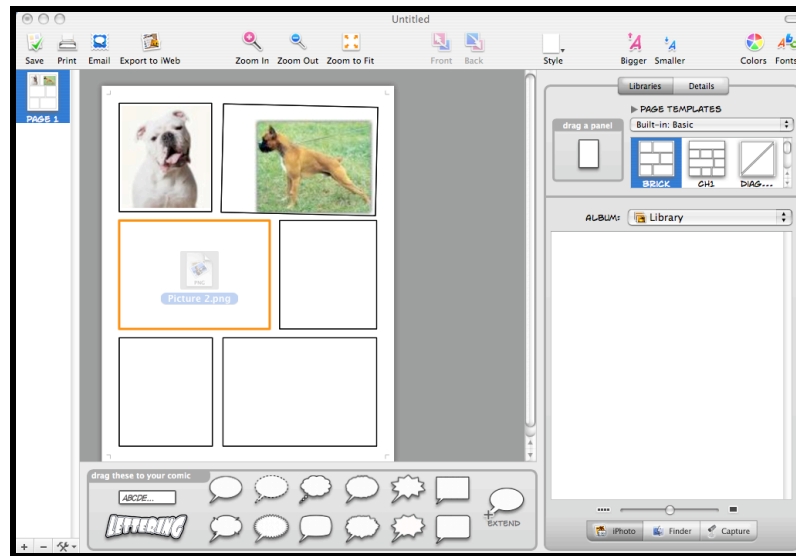
1. Create your own comic file
    a. Open Comic Life
    b. Create a folder with your name in the THAWSPACE. Save your file in the folder.

2. Choose a template:
    a. First click on LIBRARIES on the right side of the window.
    b. Decide the type of template that you want to use.
    c. To select the panel, either double click on the panel or drag it to the left. NOTE: If you keep dragging different panels or double clicking you will not change the format of the page, but add a new page.
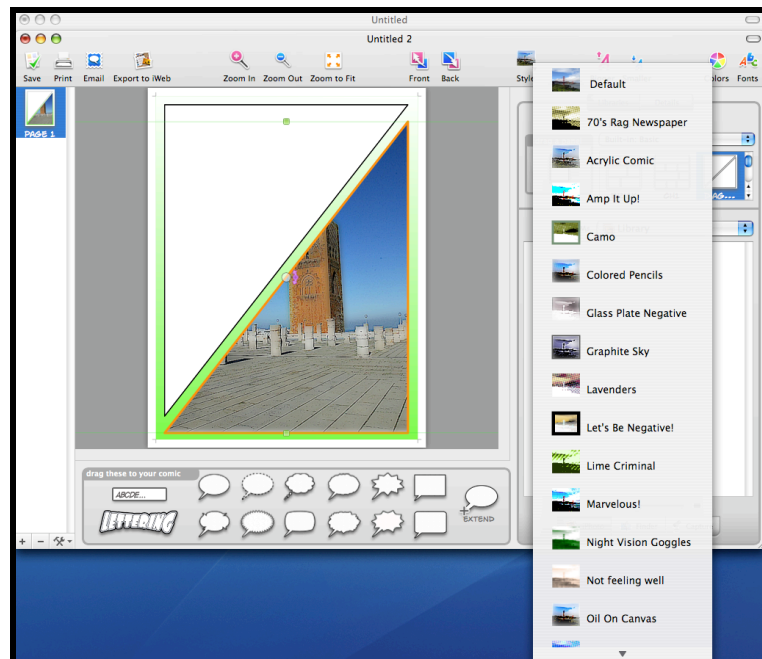

    d. You can change the size and style of your frames by clicking on the edges and scrolling the mouse.
    e. You can also delete the frames using the button: DELETE.

3. Add a picture:
    a. Add your pictures to your folder in the Thawspace.
    b. Left click on the desired picture and drag it to a frame in the panel.
    c. The picture will be imported and you can change its position and size by treating it as a normal picture.

4. Style of the picture
    a. You can change the style of a picture by double clicking on it. In order to make sure the image is selected, it must have an orange border.
    b. Find the icon *Style* on the *Icon&Text* bar on top of the screen and click on it. The icon must have the picture of a landscape.
    c. Select the style you wish, then only that picture will adopt that style.
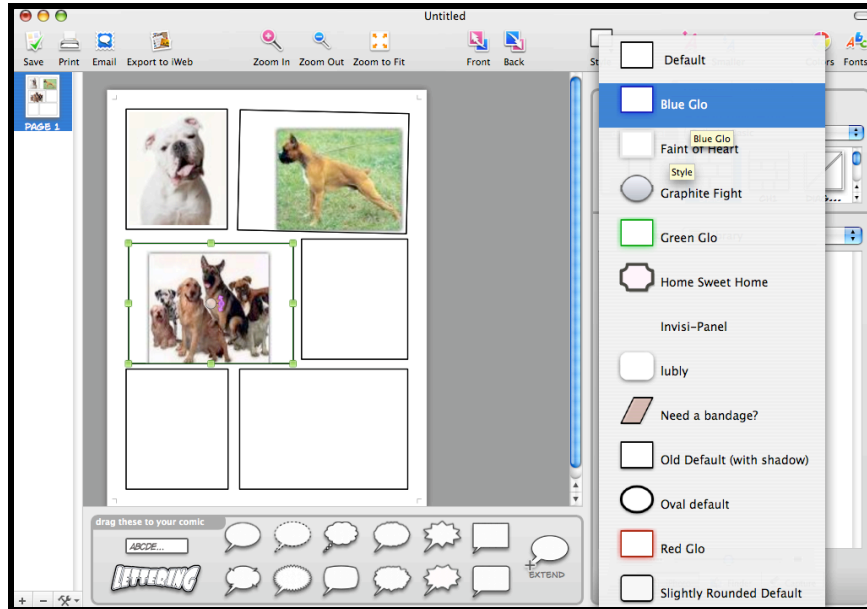   NOTE: If you want to change the style of different pictures you have to do it one by one.
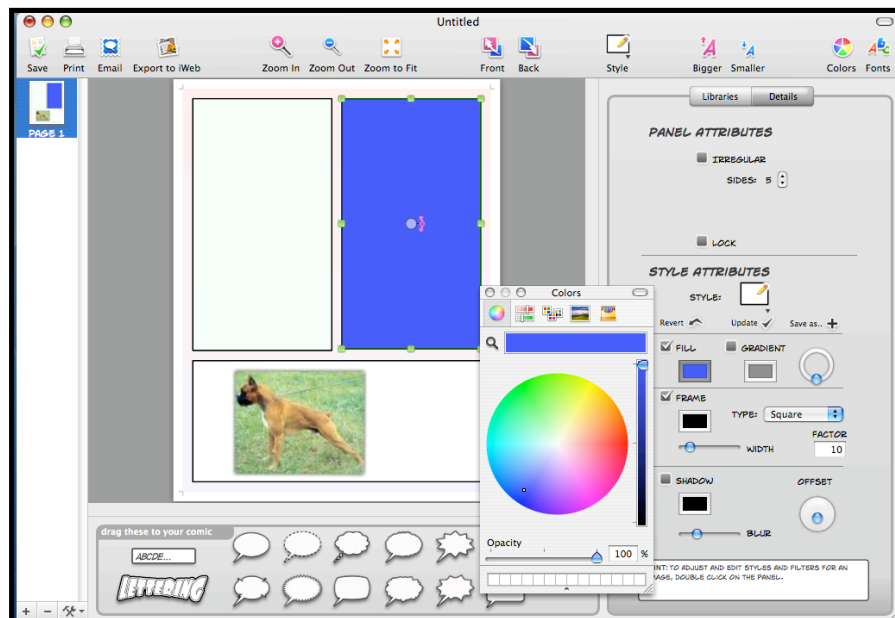

5. Style of the frame
    a. If you want to change the style the frame of a panel, click on the panel once. This will select the frame.

b. Find the icon ***Style*** on the ***Icon&Text*** bar on top of the screen and click on it. The icon must look like a square.

c. Select the style you wish, then only that frame will adopt that style.

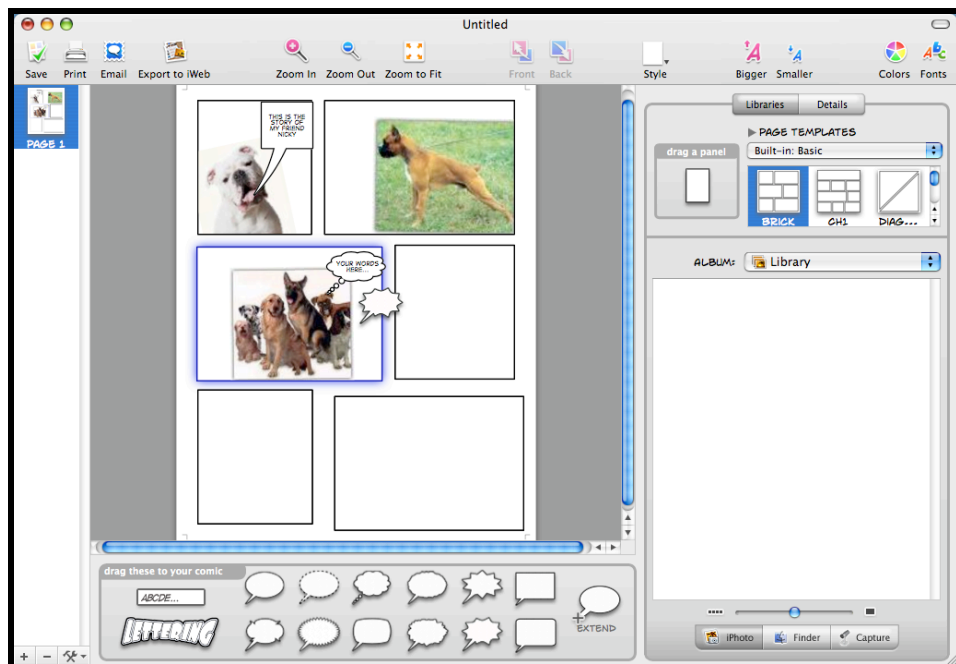NOTE: If you want to change the style of different frames, you have to do it one by one.

6. Color a panel.

a. If you want to change the color of the background of a frame, click on a blank space on the panel. This will select the panel.

b. Go to the bar on the right and select **DETAILS**. The Panel attributes window will open.

c. Change the style attributes of the panel. By changing the color of the fill, the background color of the panel changes. By changing the color of the frame, it will only change the frame. You must change the color of each frame individually.

7. Add text to a image
    a. To add a text you have to click on one of the balloons located at the bottom of the window and drag it into a frame.
    b. Personalize the balloon. Change its dimensions by clicking on the corners and moving it.
    c. Align the final arrow of the balloon to see who is speaking or thinking.
    d. Click on the balloon and write the desired text.
    e. Change the color of the text by going to the right up corner, clicking and changing the font format.
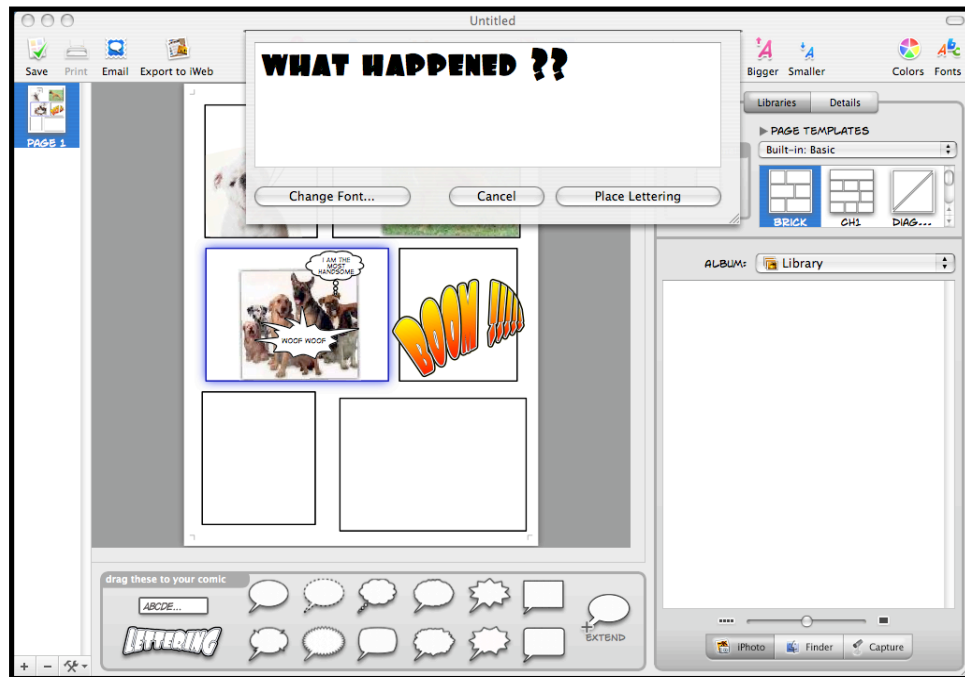   NOTE: You can change the style of the text balloon by following the procedure explained before.

8. Add lettering
    a. To add lettering click on lettering in the bottom of the window and drag it to a frame.
    b. The new window will appear, write your text on it.
    c. Change its dimensions by clicking on the corners and moving each corner to the desired position.
    NOTE: You can also change the style of lettering by using the procedure explained before.

9. **Export** as an image
    a. Save your final comic.
    b. Then, go to File, Export, Export to images.
    c. Name your file; change the format to .jpg and the resolution to 300 dpi (high quality).
    d. Save your file in your **Folder** in the Thawspace.