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## Be Friends with Failure

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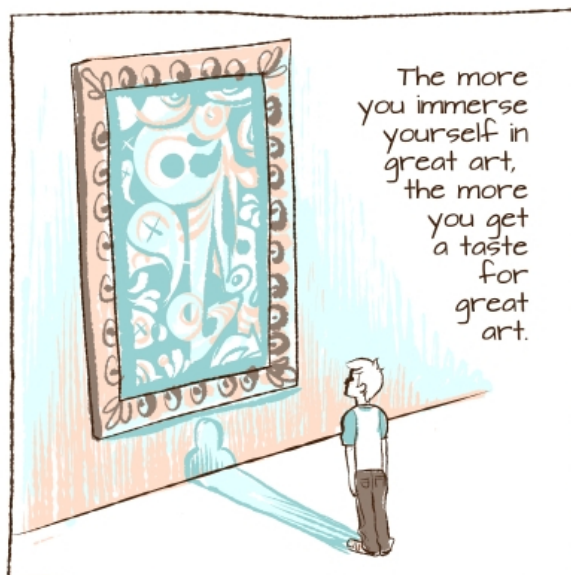
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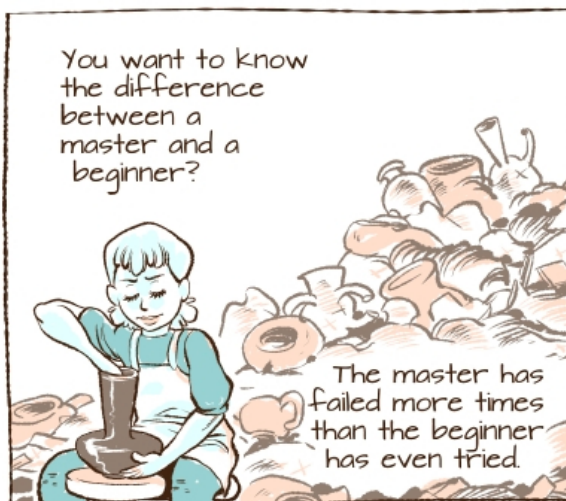
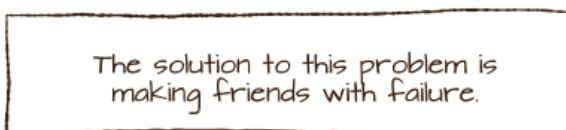
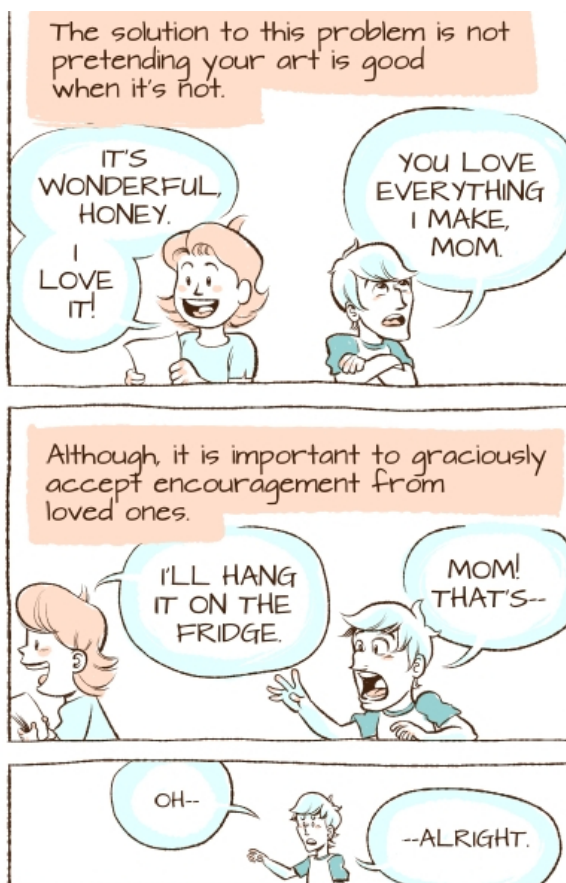


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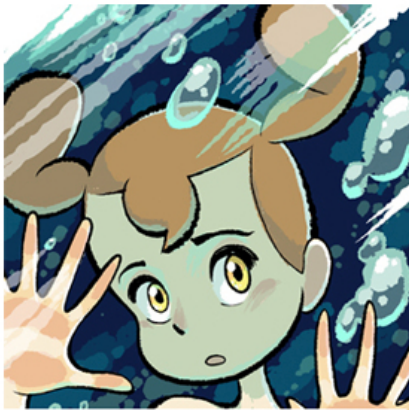


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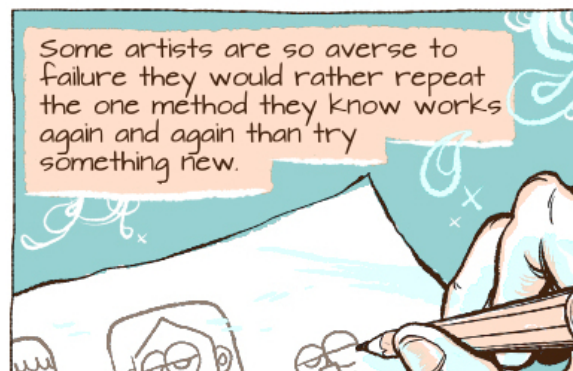
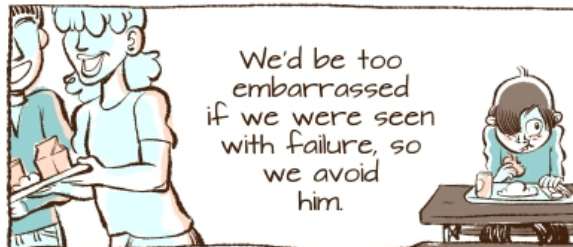
### EPISODE LIST

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- ✧ And the Winner is...



S P A C E  
BOY

My latest work,  
now serializing on:







But if you never fail, how will you grow?

Let's ponder once more the way of the baby.





When you try something you've never done before, you're no better at it than a baby.



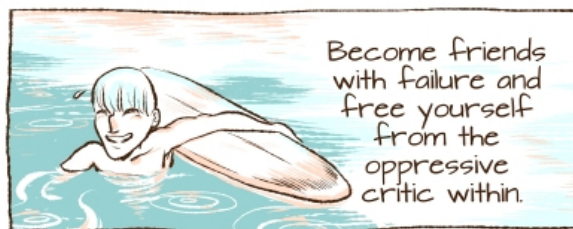
There's no reason to expect more from yourself than you would expect from a baby.

So be nicer to yourself.



Success is a sign you're ready to learn something new, and failure is a sign you're learning something new.

You can't always succeed your first time, but you can fail less each time you try.



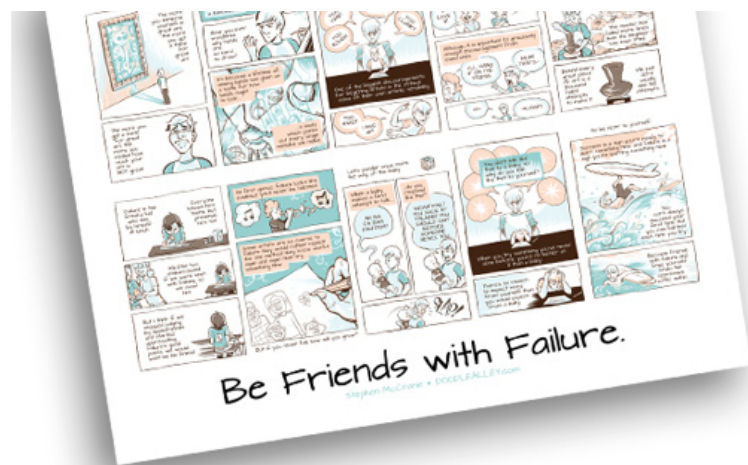
Become friends with failure and free yourself from the oppressive critic within.

[doodlealley.com](http://doodlealley.com)

Sources cited! I discovered the baby concept on AJATT.com— a blog devoted to language acquisition. Check it out!







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ewon on October 10, 2012 at 2:45 pm

Sir, I just wanted to let you know that your comics are profound. Keep doing what you do. 😊



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stephen on October 11, 2012 at 2:53 pm

Will do- thanks!



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Allan Levine on November 27, 2013 at 4:34 pm

Excellent stuff.



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Sean Emerson on November 27, 2013 at 7:50 pm

To the creator of this comic : You rock.



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stephen on December 2, 2013 at 8:04 pm



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abysss on December 5, 2013 at 3:14 am

True story... this is exactly how it goes, I guess for most of us 😊

