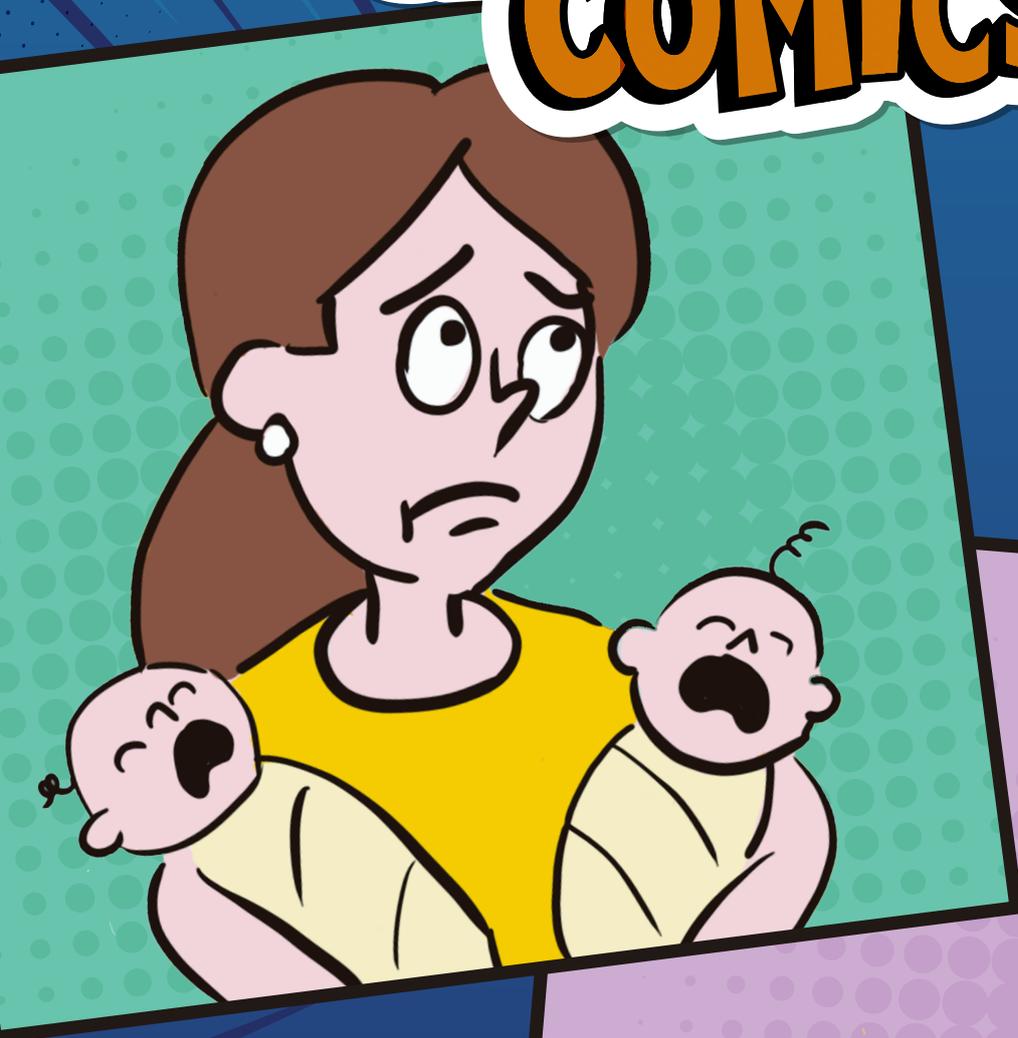


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## GENDER ROLES AND STEREOTYPES



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So we have to get you a sword, a shield and armor.

I can give you the mustache I wore last Halloween.



Being a knight is awesome!



I mean at least you're not playing a tree.

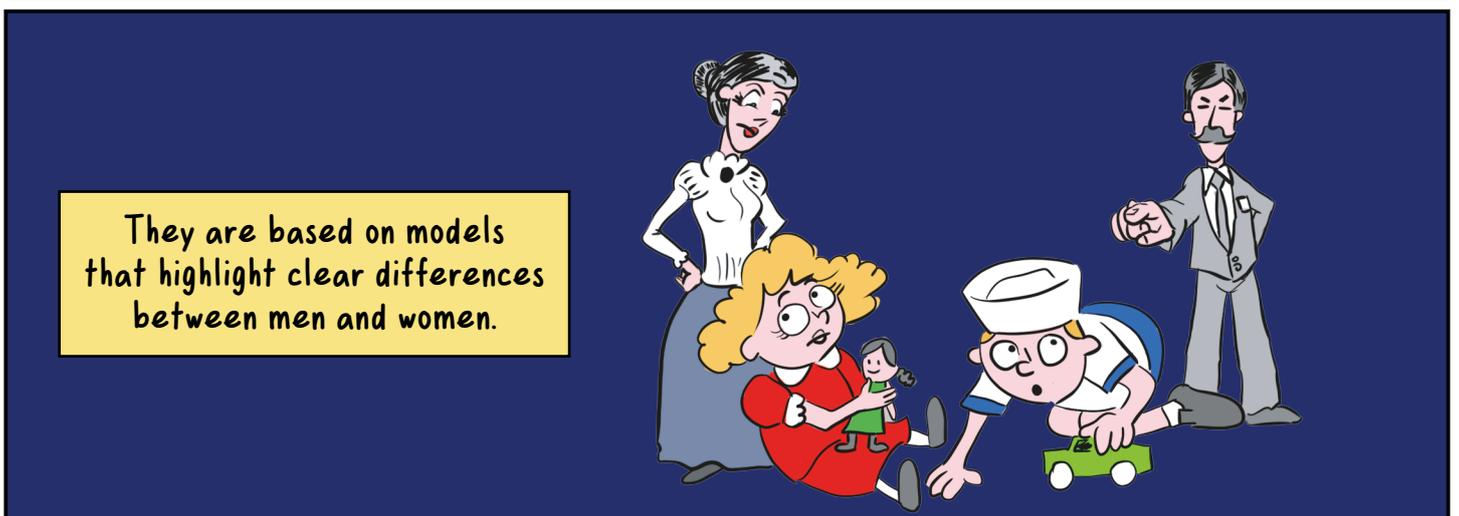
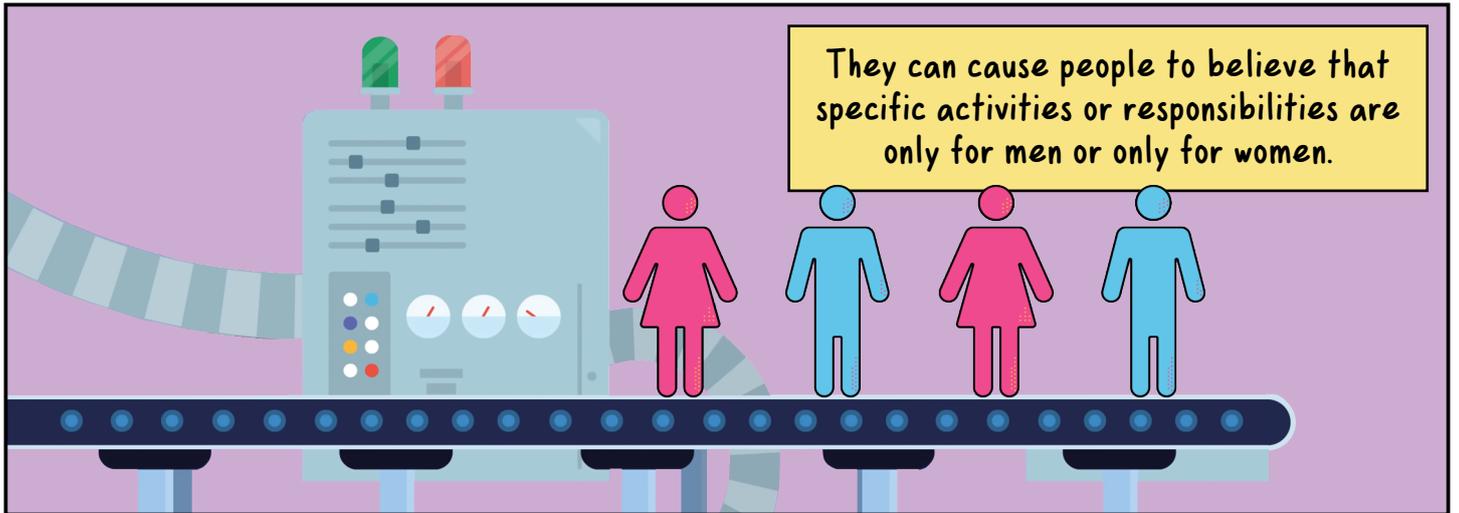
Ok see you at the park in a bit. I want to show you my new skateboard!

Bye!



Hi friends! I think it's time to talk about gender roles and stereotypes.

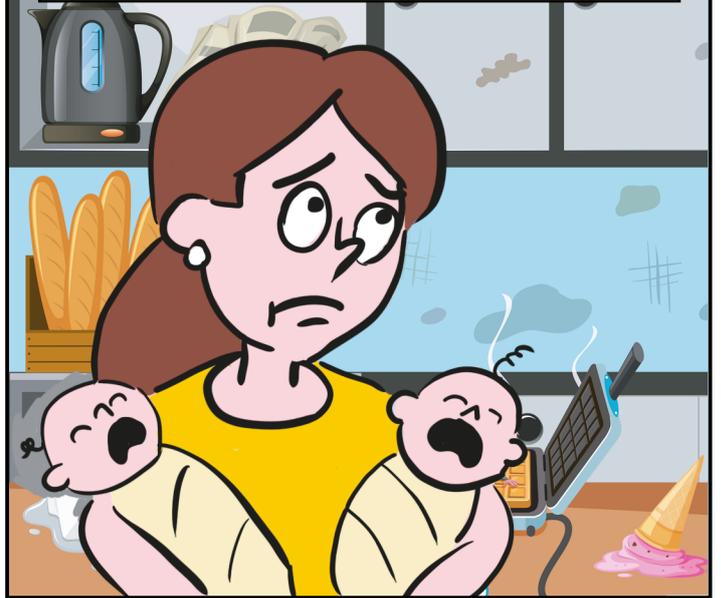
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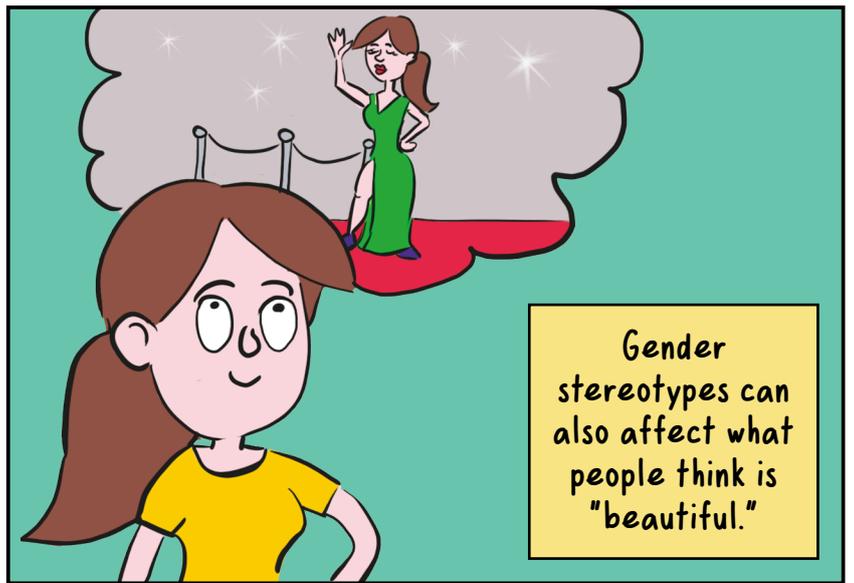
People born male were expected to be tough, aggressive, into sports, and not show emotions.



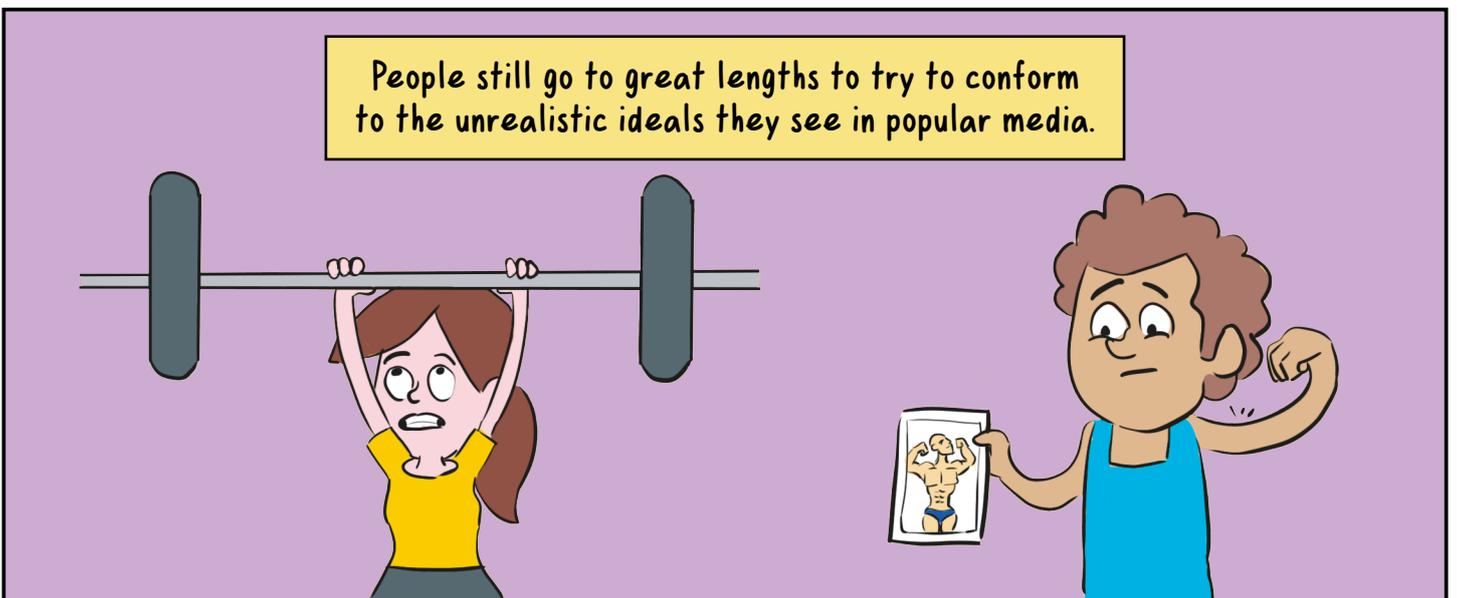
By contrast, people born female were expected to be kind and nurturing, emotional, and focused on the home. They were expected to cook and clean.

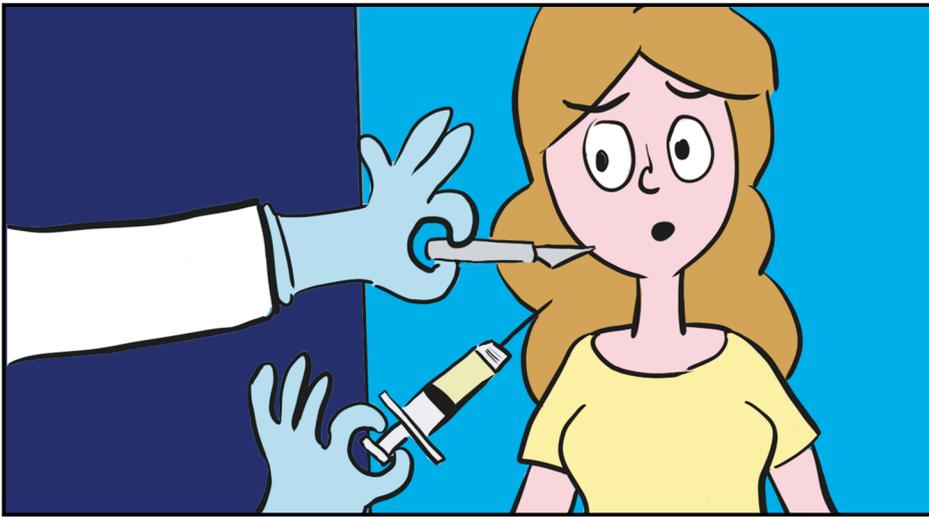


But people are more complex than that!



People still go to great lengths to try to conform to the unrealistic ideals they see in popular media.





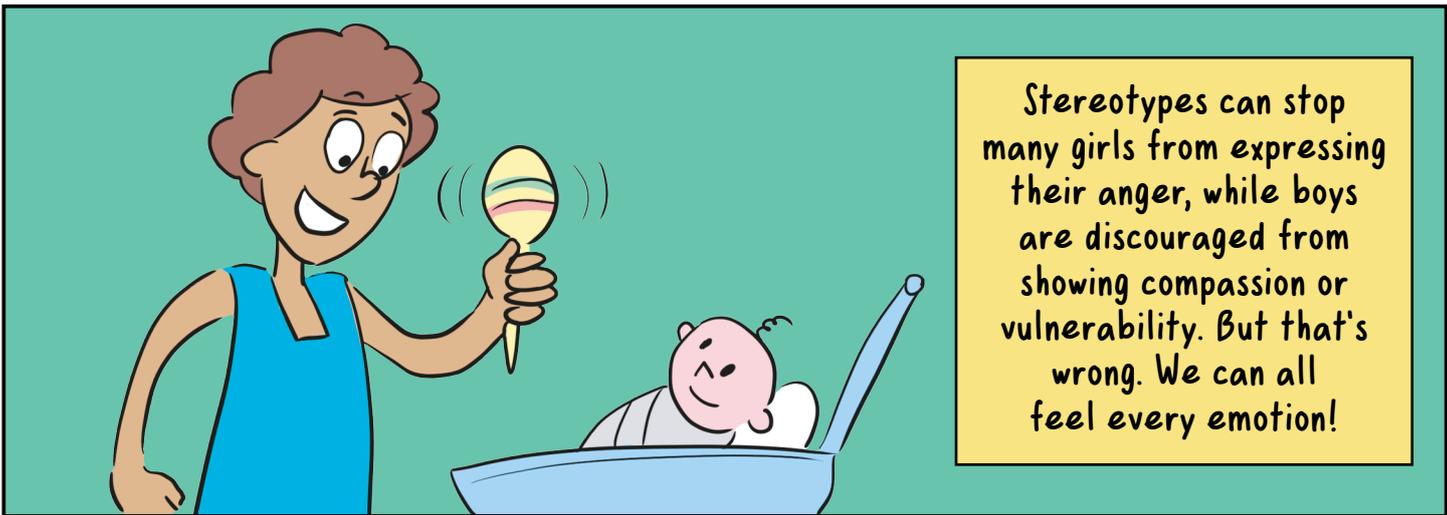
Some people diet or obsessively exercise and go through plastic surgeries, putting their health at risk.



That's why it's important to recognize that everyone is unique, and these differences are completely natural.



They can also influence how we relate to others, limiting which emotions are "okay" to express.



Stereotypes can stop many girls from expressing their anger, while boys are discouraged from showing compassion or vulnerability. But that's wrong. We can all feel every emotion!

Life would be so much easier if we didn't waste time trying to be something we're not.



Fortunately, as times continue to change, so do people's expectations around gender roles.



And we're free to be whoever we want to be.



That's great!!!



Heya, maybe my friend needs another knight for the show!

Or a witch...  
Or a dragon...



Ok, I'm going to ask her to include me in the show... See you next time!



# REMINDER

Everyone should be free to develop their abilities and reach their full potential without the pressure of stereotypes, gender roles, or prejudice.

The needs and goals of people of all genders and ages should be recognized, respected, and supported equally.

There should be no gender-based discrimination in access to services, resources, or opportunities.

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