

## **Reading an Editorial Cartoon**

What is the cartoon's title or caption?

Who drew the cartoon?

When and where was it published?

What is familiar to you in this cartoon?

What questions do you have about this cartoon?

Editorial cartoonists combine pictures and words to communicate their opinions. What tools does the cartoonist use to make his or her point?

\_\_ Humor
\_\_ Caricature
\_\_ Symbols
\_\_ Stereotypes

- \_\_ Speech balloons
- \_\_\_ Labels
- \_\_\_\_ Analogy to another historical or current event
- \_\_\_\_ References to popular culture, art, literature, etc.

List the important people and objects shown in the cartoon:

Are symbols used? If so, what are they and what do they mean?

Are stereotypes used? If so, what group is represented?

Is anyone caricatured in the cartoon? If so, who?

Briefly explain the message of the cartoon:

What groups would agree /disagree with the cartoon's message? Why?

Do you think this cartoon is effective in its message?