



THE comic strip *White Cat Black Cat* is written by Fong She-mei (方舒眉) and illustrated by Ma Sing-yuen (馬星原). It was first published in 2004. Since its debut, the *White Cat Black Cat* series has covered hundreds of different **themes** and stories and has received **widespread** local success. Sometimes, the comics are about politics, and sometimes they are about history. This **variation** may have been one of the secrets of the comic's success.

"The **key** to writing a humorous comic," said Ma, "is to make sure your readers are **pleasantly** surprised at the end of the story." Before working on the *White Cat Black Cat* project, Ma used the penname Ma-long and was a prominent political cartoonist.

Ma shared with *Junior Standard* some **tips** on drawing political comics. "When thinking of a humorous political cartoon, I have to think of all possible outcomes of a situation and pick the 'weirdest' one," he said. "That is the punch line."

