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Charles "Charlie" Brown is the principal character of the comic strip Peanuts, syndicated in daily and Sunday newspapers in numerous countries all over the world. Depicted as a "lovable loser," Charlie Brown is one of the great American archetypes and a popular and widely recognized cartoon character. Charlie Brown is characterized as a person who frequently suffers, and as a result, is usually nervous and lacks selfconfidence. He shows both pessimistic and optimistic attitudes: on some days, he is apprehensive to even go outside because his day might just be spoiled, but on others, he hopes for the best and tries as much as he can to accomplish things. He is easily recognized by his trademark zigzag patterned jumper. Charlie Brown is the only Peanuts character to have appeared regularly in the strip throughout its entire 50-year run.



The character made his official debut in the first Peanuts comic strip on October 2, 1950. The strip features Charlie Brown walking by, as two other children named Shermy and Patty look at him. Shermy refers to him as "Good Ol' Charlie Brown" as he passes by.



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October: flower: Marigolds Birthstone: Opal and Tourmaline Zodiac Signs: Libra Sept 23 -Oct 22 Scorpio Oct 23 - Nov 21



LONGHORN AND SOONER QUARTERBACKS



His signature zig-zag pattern first appeared on his formerly plain T-shirt on December 21, 1950. By April 25, 1952, his T-shirt was changed to a polo shirt with a collar and the zig-zag.[8] On the March 6, 1951, strip, Charlie Brown first appears to play baseball, as he was warming up before telling Shermy that they can start the game; however, he was the catcher, not yet the pitcher. Charlie Brown's relationships with other Peanuts characters initially differed significantly from their later states, and their concepts were grown up through this decade until they reached their more-established forms. An example is his relationship with Violet Gray, to whom he was introduced in the February 7, 1951, strip.[10] The two constantly remained on fairly good terms, a bit different from their later somewhat tepid relationship. In the August 16, 1951, strip, she called Charlie Brown a "blockhead", being the first time Charlie Brown was referred by that insult.[11] The strip for November 14 of that year featured the first appearance of the famous football gag, with Violet in the role that would later be filled by Lucy.

In the 1960s, the Peanuts comic strip entered what most readers consider to be its Golden Age, and Charlie Brown reaching his peak in popularity, becoming well-known in numerous countries, with the strip reaching 355 million readers.

In 1965, the Coca-Cola Company approached Mendelson about sponsoring a Peanuts Christmas television special. The next day Mendelson called Schulz and said they were making a Christmas special featuring Charlie Brown and the Peanuts characters, in which he collaborated with both Schulz and Melendez. Titled A Charlie Brown Christmas, it was first broadcast by the CBS network on December 9, 1965. The special's primary goal is showing "the true meaning of Christmas". Before A Charlie Brown Christmas was broadcast, several of those involved in the special's creation were worried that it might be poorly received, with its unorthodox soundtrack and overt religious message; however, it turned out to be a huge success, with the number of homes watching the special an estimated 15,490,000, placing it at number two in the ratings, behind Bonanza on NBC. A Charlie Brown Christmas was honored with both an Emmy and Peabody Award



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HELP CHARLIE BROWN CATCH SNOOPY!







In October of 1966 Charlie Brown appeared in a third Peanuts special: the Halloween-themed "It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown."

Charlie Brown and his dog Snoopy reached new heights on May 18, 1969, when they became the names of the command module and lunar module, respectively, for Apollo 10.

In 1970's decade, Charlie Brown appeared on twelve Peanuts television specials that were produced as a result of the success of the prior ones. Charlie Brown also appeared on two full-length animations (Snoopy, Come Home and Race for Your Life, Charlie Brown, 1980s

Charlie Brown went on to feature in fourteen more television specials, two of which are musicals (one of which is the animated version of You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown).

Charlie Brown starred once again in a full-length animation, which was titled Bon Voyage, Charlie Brown (and Don't Come Back!!) and released on May 30, 1980.

1990s

Six television specials featuring Charlie Brown were produced during this decade.[citation needed]

Within the comic strip, a storyline got Charlie Brown the character Peggy Jean as a girlfriend; this relationship lasted for roughly nine years. Final comic strip appearance

Charlie Brown made his final comic strip appearance in the final original Peanuts strip, which was published on February 13, 2000—the day after Schulz's death. Fittingly, Charlie Brown was the only character to appear in both the first strip in 1950 and the last in 2000. Despite ending its original run in 2000, reruns of the comic strip are still published. Reception

Charlie Brown, along with Snoopy, was ranked eighth on TV Guide's 50 Greatest Cartoon Characters of All Time.

Shrine of the Eternals

Charlie Brown was inducted into the Baseball Reliquary's Shrine of the Eternals in 2017. Similar in concept to the National Baseball Hall of Fame, criteria for inclusion in the Shrine of the Eternals differs in that statistical achievement is not a primary consideration for induction,[44] and fictional characters are eligible for induction. Charlie Brown was the first fictional character inducted to the Shrine.







