

Add Talk Bubbles to Your Photos

Say what's on your mind by adding talk/thought bubbles and captions to your photos. It's a perfect way for you to narrate what's going on or what you think is going on in your photos. Follow along with this tutorial and we'll show you how to add fun and humor to all your photos.

What you'll need:

- Paint Shop™ Pro® Studio
- Sample image kitty.jpg

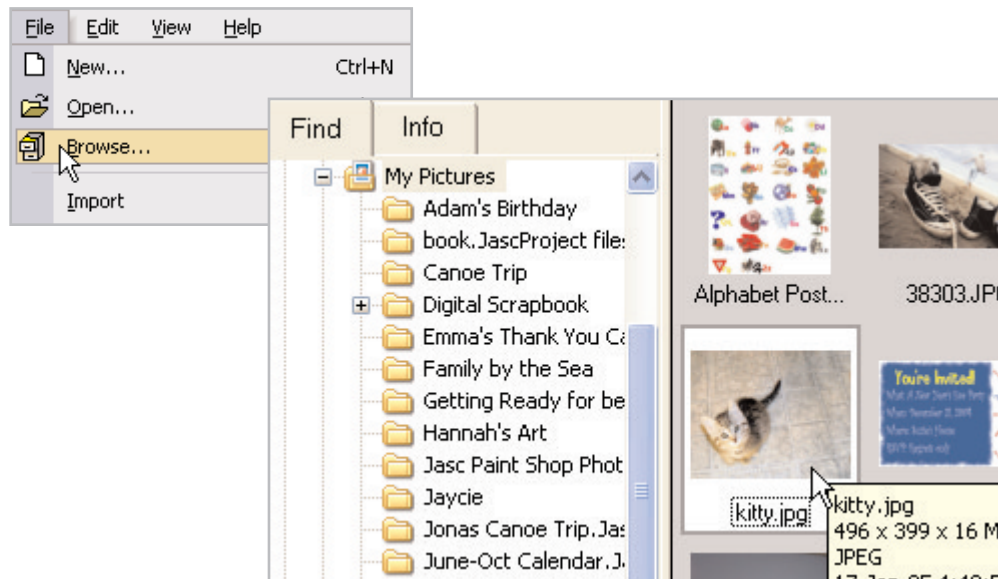
When you complete this tutorial, you'll be able to:

- Use the Preset Shapes Tool
- Add text to an image
- Add a talk bubble to your photo



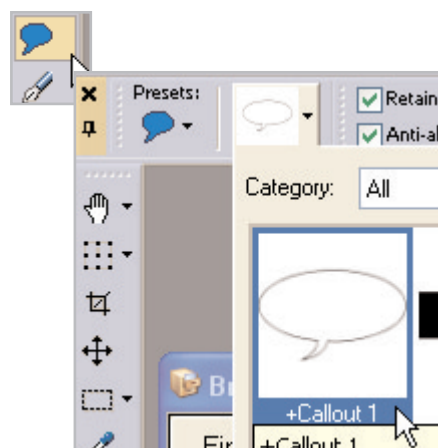
Open the Sample Image

1. Choose **Start > Programs > Jasc Software > Jasc Paint Shop Pro Studio** or double click the Paint Shop Pro Studio Icon on your desktop to open Paint Shop Pro Studio.
2. Choose **File > Browse** and browse to where you saved the kitty.jpg you downloaded. When you find the image, double-click the thumbnail to open it in Studio.

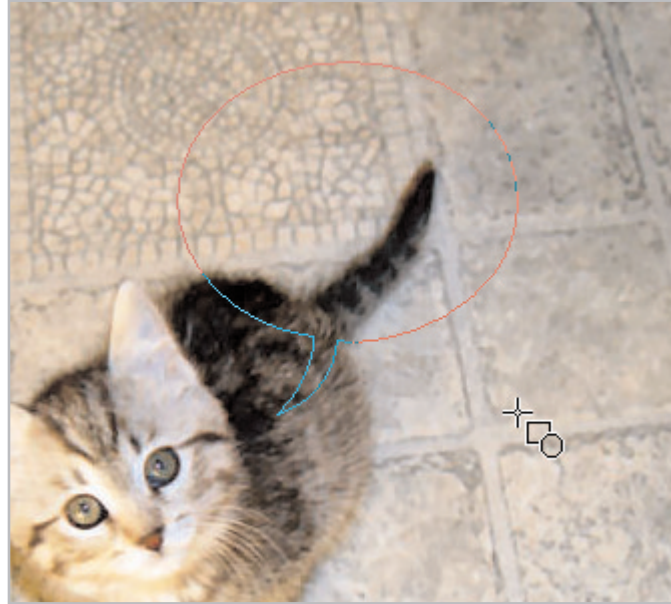


Add the Talk Bubble

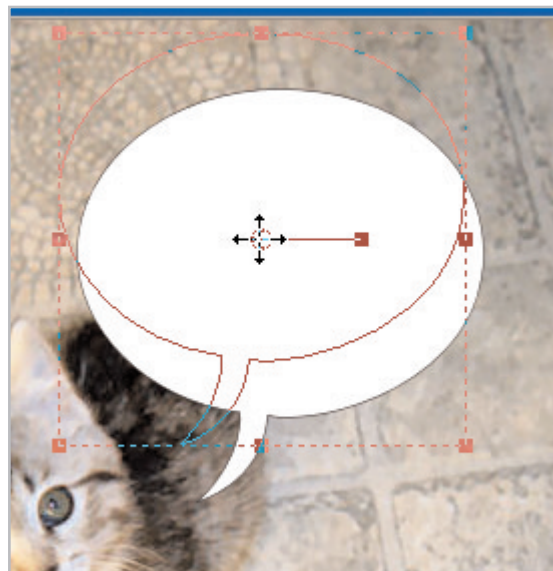
3. Select the **Preset Shape** Tool from the Tools toolbar. On the Tool Options Palette, click the arrow next to the icon of the shape. From the drop-down menu, choose **+Callout 1**.



4. Click the photo and drag the mouse down to the right, this will draw your talk bubble.

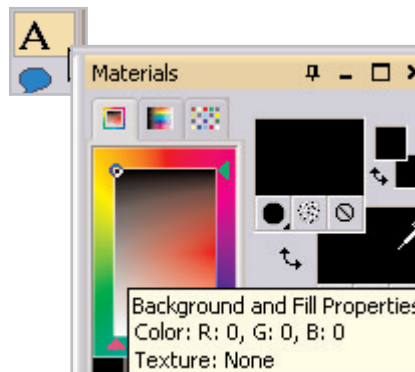


5. If you don't like the position of your bubble, you can move it. Click the circle in the center of the bubble, your cursor will change to the Move Tool. Now you can just drag the bubble into place.



Add Text

6. Now that you've got a bubble, let's add a caption. Select the **Text** Tool from the Tools Toolbar. On the Material Palette, set both the background and foreground color to **Black** (or, you can choose any color you like, we're just using black in this example).



7. On the Tool Options Palette, you can choose the font and font size you like. You might need to adjust the size to fit your balloon and your message. Here's what we used:

- Create as: **Vector**
- Font: **Arial**
- Size: **14**
- Stroke: **0**
- Alignment: **Center**
- Anti-Alias: **Sharp**



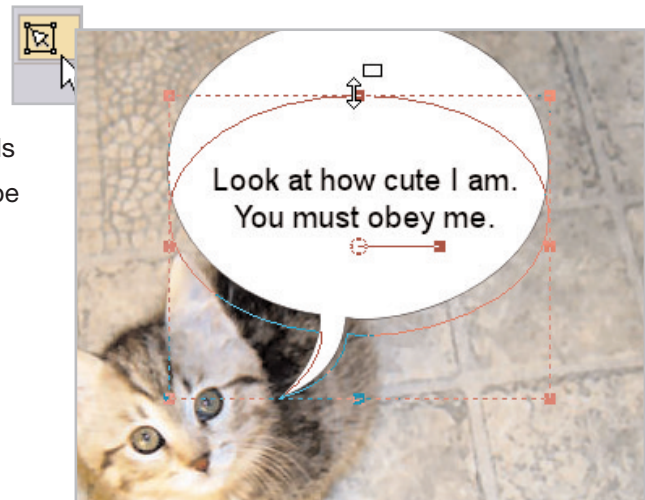
8. Press and hold the **Alt** key and then click inside your bubble. You need to press the Alt key so your text doesn't follow the path of the Preset Shape. Now, in the Text Entry box, add a caption for the photo. When you've got one you like, click **Apply**.



9. You can move your text into the position you like best by following the instructions in Step 5.



10. If you want to adjust the size of your balloon, select the **Object Selection Tool** and click the balloon. Now just click one of the red squares on the box that surrounds your bubble and drag until you get the shape and size you like best.



11. Now choose **Layers > Merge All (Flatten)**. This will merge your talk bubble with your photo. Make sure that when you save it, you save it as a new file with a new name.

Next Steps:

See how easy that was? Now you can put your wit to work and add funny captions to all your photos. Make sure to take a look at the other talk bubbles and thought bubbles in the Preset Shape menu.

