

How to Draw Expressions

There are a lot of ways to draw expressions! There's really no single right way to draw any of them. But here's some of how I do it.

SERIOUS

(moments away from giggling)



Sometimes, Marigold's mouth is optional.

LAUGHING



Phoebe has a bigger mouth than Marigold, but Mari is far too polite to mention it.

HAPPY



SAD



ears droop (you could make her horn droop too, but that would be silly)



Draw a lot of tears if you want, but one or two gets the point across.

SHOCKED



☹
Phoebe's eyes are so big I didn't even fully draw them

Somehow, even her mane is shocked!



Marigold's eyes are just really round

ANGRY



☹
clenched teeth



ears back

UNIMPRESSED

☹
One eyebrow raised.
(Phoebe's eyebrows tend to get lost in her bangs)



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SILLY

☹
Phoebe is undeniably better at this one.



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Of course, you can (and should!) also just look at the expressions of people you know, too. Or just find a mirror!

(Fun fact: When I'm drawing facial expressions, I often make those expressions in real life, too, without really meaning to. Sometimes my husband looks at me and just starts giggling.)