



# Cultural research on Mickey Mouse

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## Introduction / Background

Mickey Mouse is a cartoonist animal and is very popular for young kids. Mickey Mouse was created in 1928 and has been a hit ever since. He mainly appears with his girlfriend Minnie Mouse, his dog Pluto, and his good friends Donald Duck and Goofy. In this famous cartoon, Mickey has a nemesis, Pete, who he is constantly feuding with.

Mickey is one of the more positive looking mice due to the way his creators made him look. Mickey Mouse appears to be a positive character due to the way his snout or nose is turned up and not down and his ears are perfect circles rather than being all black (Barrier).

When *Mickey Mouse* was originally created the films were shown in black and white until 1935 when the first colored animation film appeared. Mickey did appear in color in 1932, however that was for an awards ceremony and not the film of Mickey. In the color animated films *Mickey Mouse* is seen as wearing red trousers and yellow shoes with white gloves.

## Conclusions

After doing research on the infamous Mickey Mouse, I learned that there were two creators in making this popular cartoon, but they went with Walt Disney as the creator due to him having the idea of adopting Mickey Mouse as a character. Another fact that I learned is Mickey Mouse made his first appearance in "Steamboat Willie." The answer to my research question is Mickey Mouse promotes learning at a young age by encouraging his audience to think with their brain and help Mickey solve his mysteries.

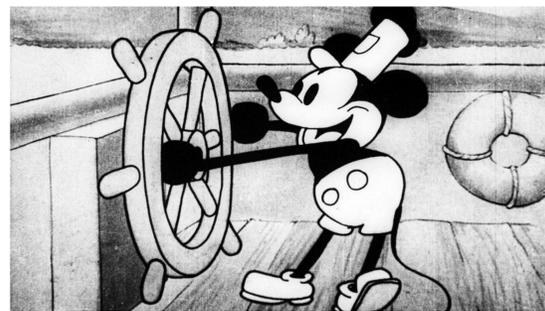
## Evidence



Mickey Mouse. mickey mouse - Google Search



Advertising Image of Mickey Mouse. Watch Mickey Mouse Clubhouse | Disney+ (disneyplus.com).JPG file. 10 January 2018.



Mickey Mouse's history explained in 6 facts. <https://www.cnn.com/2017/11/18/entertainment/mickey-mouse-fun-facts-trivia-trnd/index.html>

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## Research question / thesis / hypothesis

What significance does the cartoon Mickey Mouse have on the younger generation?



Things Mice Don't Want You to Know | Reader's Digest (rd.com)



Mickey Mouse Clubhouse - IMDb

## Further information

My results show that Mickey Mouse is a popular hit and why its significance focuses on young kids. Today, most older kids do not watch the Disney channel. Young kids are inspired by Mickey Mouse because he makes learning fun and most kids do not even realize they are learning. I learned a lot about the creators behind Mickey Mouse and I hope my audience learns what I did throughout my poster!

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