

# THE SIMPSONS :

**The Simpsons** are popular American animated cartoon, created by **Matt Groening** for the **Fox Broadcasting Company**. They are a typical family who live in Middle American town of **Springfield**. The family consists: **Homer, Marge, Bart, Lisa and Maggie**. Homer, the father, works as a safety inspector at the Springfield Nuclear Power Plant. He is married to Marge Simpson. She is a stereotypical American housewife and mother. They have three children : Bart, a ten year old troublemaker, Lisa, precocious eight year old activist, and Maggie, a baby, who rarely speaks, but communicates by sucking on a pacifier. The family owns a dog, **Santa's Little helper**, and a cat, **Snowball II**.

The main character in the cartoon is **Homer Simpson**. He embodies several American working class stereotypes : he is crude, overweight, incompetent, clumsy and lazy. He is devoted to his family. Homer is one of the most influential characters on television. He was described as a greatest comic creation of modern time.

Homer's wife, **Marge Simpson** is a well-meaning and extremely patient mother. She always tries to maintain order in the house. She has special blue hairstyle.

The only son of Homer and Marge is **Bart Simpson**. He is the oldest child in the family. He disrespects any kind of authority. His favorite sport is skating.

**Lisa Marie Simpson** is middle child of the Simpson family and eldest daughter of Homer and Marge. She is highly intelligent. She plays the saxophone and she is a vegetarian.

**Maggie Simpson** is the youngest child of Marge and Homer. She is often seen sucking on the pacifier, and when she walks she trips over her clothing and falls on her face. She can't talk.

**The Simpsons cartoon** was first broadcast on December 17, 1989. It contains 428 episodes in the 21 seasons. The Simpsons is the longest-running American animated program. On July 26, 2007 was released **The Simpsons Movie** and has earned 526 million US \$ .