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Peanuts sources are readily available (the Peanuts wikia, gocomics.com, Fantagraphics books and ebooksâ "of course, the Seth-designed books, like this one here, as well as the lovely boxed sets, are the best choice), so anyone can become a Schulz scholar using the primary materials. I have found the two ends of the Peanuts nearly 50 year spectrum of great interest. The first few years are full of experiments, including parental voices from off-panel, cluttered house interiors and outside

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