

GRAYS TUITION CENTRE – Online Tutoring

WEEK: 4

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Subject: ENGLISH

Year: 6

Lesson Objective:

- Understand the role of characterisation
- Be able to identify the personality trait of a character based on inferences

Keywords/ Concepts

- Characterisation

Class Worksheets

- For class work:
 - Worksheet on characterisation

Homework Worksheets

- Worksheet on Vocabulary
 - Second characterisation worksheet

Additional Notes

Characterization Worksheet 1

Directions: Read a short description of an event. Identify a character trait that is revealed by each

action. Explain your answer.

1. Jake is Cassie's older brother. One day they are walking home from school when a cold front rolls in and the temperature drops 20 degrees. Jake is dressed more appropriately for the weather than Cassie. He takes off his hooded sweatshirt and offers it to her. She gratefully accepts. Jake is now colder, but he is happier.

What character trait does Jake demonstrate?

2. Craig is a football player training over the summer for next season. The coach demands that all players come in at 6:00 AM and lift weights until 8:00 AM, when practice begins. Craig gets there at 5:00 AM to begin his training.

What character trait does Craig demonstrate?

3. Anna volunteered to help Kylie clean her house. When Anna washed the mirrors, Kylie asked her if she used paper towels instead of newspapers. When Anna admitted that she had, Kylie asked her to redo them. Then, while Anna was sweeping, Kylie corrected her on her technique. "Don't just push the dirt around, Anna. SWEEP it," Kylie told Anna.

What character trait does Kylie demonstrate?

4. Corey came back from the bathroom and noticed that her rainbow pencil was missing. She looked around the room and saw that Beth was using a rainbow pencil. Corey started crying uncontrollably and ran out of the room.

What character trait does Corey demonstrate?

5. Kelvin found a wallet on the ground. He opened up the wallet and saw an old woman's ID card. Kelvin took the ID out of the wallet, walked to the woman's house, and returned the wallet to her.

What character trait does Kelvin demonstrate?

6. Jonathan invited a bunch of friends over to his house. He then talked to them for hours about all the trophies that he had won, his rare comic book collection, and how much money his dad makes. His friends did not enjoy their time at Jonathan's.

What character trait does Jonathan demonstrate?

7. Rocky's cousin brought him to a party. Rocky didn't know anyone at the party. Shortly after getting there, Rocky's cousin disappeared. Rocky made a lot of new friends at this party and had a great time.

What character trait does Rocky demonstrate?

8. The teacher asked Khadija what the answer was to the problem on the board. Khadija wore a worried expression on her face for a moment and then put her head down on her desk. After the teacher moved on to someone else, Khadija whispered to her friend that the answer was 26. Khadija was right.

What character trait does Khadija demonstrate?

9. After Mark's mechanical pencil ran out of lead, he asked Pete, who sat next to him, if he could borrow a pencil. Pete yelled, "No, Mark. If you didn't come prepared, why is that my fault? Bring TWO pencils to class! You can't have one of mine or you'll never learn your lesson."

What character trait does Pete demonstrate?

10. Scott doesn't talk much, but five girls in our homeroom class are currently competing for his attention. This is nothing new. Girls have liked Scott for as long as I can remember.

What character trait does Scott demonstrate?

Character Traits and Jane Eyre

Charlotte Brontë published her novel *Jane Eyre* in 1847. It tells the story of a young orphan, Jane Eyre, from childhood to adulthood. At the beginning of the story, Jane is 10 years old. Her uncle and his family have cared for her since her parents died a few years earlier.

In this passage, the uncle has died, and Jane is left with her aunt and cousins, none of whom are kind to her. Her cousin John is sitting in a chair and has called Jane.

Jane Eyre by Charlotte Brontë

CHAPTER I

John Reed was a schoolboy of fourteen years old; four years older than I, for I was but ten: large and stout for his age, with a dingy and unwholesome skin; thick lineaments in a spacious visage, heavy limbs and large extremities. He gorged himself habitually at table, which made him bilious, and gave him a dim and bleared eye and flabby cheeks. He ought now to have been at school; but his mama had taken him home for a month or two, "on account of his delicate health." Mr. Miles, the master, affirmed that he would do very well if he had fewer cakes and sweetmeats sent him from home; but the mother's heart turned from an opinion so harsh, and inclined rather to the more refined idea that John's sallowness was owing to over-application and, perhaps, to pining after home.

John had not much affection for his mother and sisters, and an antipathy to me. He bullied and punished me; not two or three times in the week, nor once or twice in the day, but continually: every nerve I had feared him,

and every morsel of flesh in my bones shrank when he came near. There were moments when I was bewildered by the terror he inspired, because I had no appeal whatever against either his menaces or his inflictions; the servants did not like to offend their young master by taking my part against him, and Mrs. Reed was blind and deaf on the subject: she never saw him strike or heard him abuse me, though he did both now and then in her very presence, more frequently, however, behind her back.

Habitually obedient to John, I came up to his chair: he spent some three minutes in thrusting out his tongue at me as far as he could without damaging the roots: I knew he would soon strike, and while dreading the blow, I mused on the disgusting and ugly appearance of him who would presently deal it. I wonder if he read that notion in my face; for, all at once, without speaking, he struck suddenly and strongly. I tottered, and on regaining my equilibrium retired back a step or two from his chair.

List 10 character traits of John Reed.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

Bonus question:

Name three of Jane's character traits that are the opposite of John's.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Vocab list:

Abode-

Arduous-

Abundant-

Archaic-

Ample-

Amend-

Brash-

Brook-

Calamity-

Charred-

Content-

Coy-

Derelict-

Destitute-

Detest-

Disdain-

Dismal-

Dilapidated

Drab

Dwelling

Earnest

Falter

Foe

Fret

Frivolous

Hasten

Hinder

Hoarse

Idle

Indulged

Ire

Irate

Lament

Liabile

Lavish

Livid

Longing

Lull

Trudge

Maim

Meagre

Melancholy

Meticulous

Mettle

Modest

Monotony

Shroud

Ostentatious

Perch

Peril

Perplex

Passive

Placid

Perch

Perish

Perilous

Prohibit

Prosperous

Quaint

Rascal

Obsolete

Seldom

Subdue

Stout

Tempest/uous

Toil

Tranquil

Trifle

Truce

Trot

Tyrant

Vexed

Virtuous

Vacant

Weary

Wistful

Wither

Wretched

Yield