

Characterization

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? _____

Explain your answer by referencing the text.

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? _____

Explain your answer by referencing the text.

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? _____

Explain your answer by referencing the text.

Types of Conflict

1. **Directions:** Read the description of the story. Determine the protagonist (central character) and antagonist (opposing force). Then describe the type of conflict (example: person vs. nature, Person vs. Self; Person vs. Society; Person vs. Nature; Person vs. Supernatural; Person vs. Technology)
1. After breaking his mother's favorite vase, Casey struggles to decide whether he should tell his mother the truth or attempt to hide his mistake and blame the family dog.

Protagonist: _____ **Antagonist:** _____

Type of Conflict

2. Kiko is a ninja warrior trained by Mountain Master Yoho Mahrati. When Master Mahrati is slain by Shan Bhutan of the Lotus Clan in the most cowardly of fashions, Kiko lays it all on the line to avenge the death of his master. Will Kiko overcome Shan Bhutan and the powerful Lotus Clan?

Protagonist: _____ **Antagonist:** _____

Type of Conflict

3. It's the year 3030 and society is completely dependent on computers and robots. A young boy named Domino is flying his hovering board to school when all the machines start attacking people due to a powerful computer virus. What will Domino do now that the machines that are supposed to help him have turned against him?

Protagonist: _____ **Antagonist:** _____

Type of Conflict

4. Brian has the best dog in the world. In fact, he has one of the only dogs in the world. That's because dogs are not allowed in Brian's world, where people believe that dogs spread diseases. Brian's dog will be executed if he is caught. Soon Brian learns of a mysterious underground dog owners club and joins the fight to legalize dogs. Can Brian and his new friends prove to the world that dogs are safe and friendly?

Protagonist: _____ **Antagonist:** _____

Type of Conflict