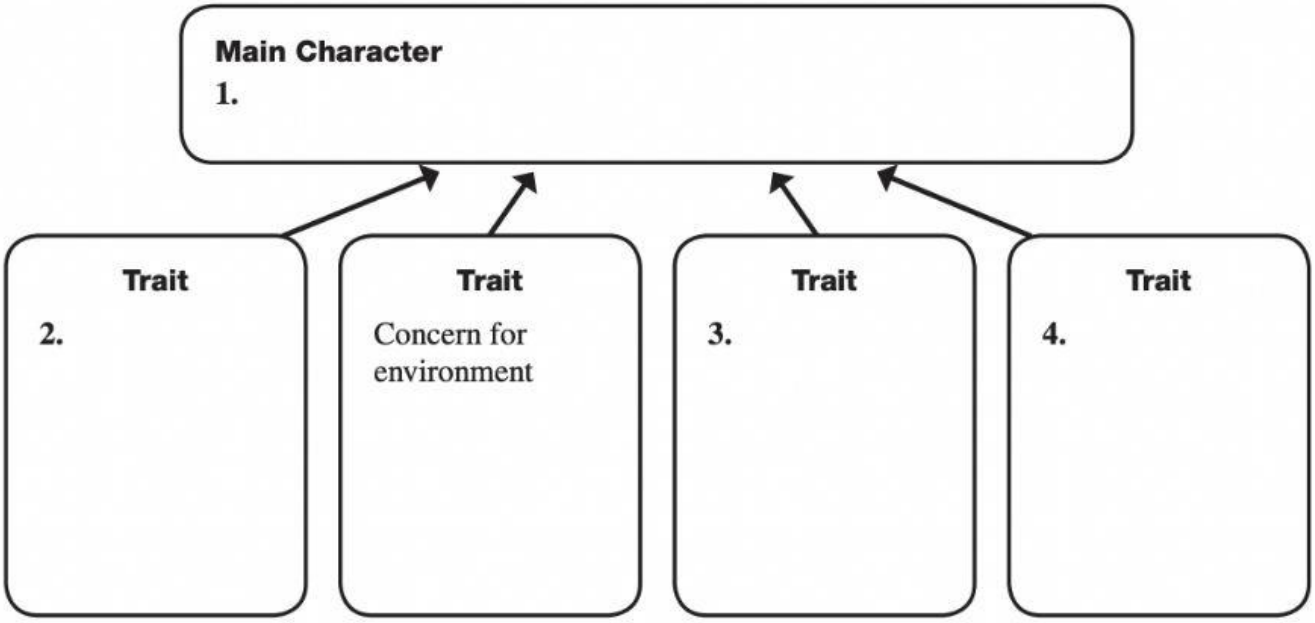
Character and Plot

- **Traits** are the qualities, such as bravery or shyness, of **characters,** or the people and animals in a story. We see characters' traits in their words and how other characters treat them.
- The **plot** is the pattern of events in a story. Usually, the events are told in sequence, from start to finish.

Directions Read the following passage. Then fill in the diagram.

Darcy Evans had been a rebel all her life. As a young woman, she marched for civil rights. She protested a plan to build the first mall in her small hometown. She was at the first Earth Day celebration in the 1970s, supporting efforts to protect the environment. Save the dolphins, save the whales, save the trees: Darcy could always find a good cause to support, no matter how old she was. So nobody was surprised when 83-year-old Darcy Evans was leading the fight to save the 200-year-old City Hall building in her hometown. "I'm nearly as old as City Hall," she joked. But everyone knew that if Darcy was fighting for it, the building must be worth saving.



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5. Why does Darcy fight on behalf of various causes?

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