

CHARACTER BREAKDOWN WORKSHEET



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Basic Information

Attribute	Details
Character Name	
Story/Book Title	
Author	
Character Role	protagonist / antagonist / supporting
Age	
Gender	
Occupation	

Key Relationships

Character	Relationship Type	Dynamic/Notes

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Physical Description

- Height and build
- Hair color and style
- Eye color
- Distinctive features or marks
- Clothing style and preferences
- Overall appearance and first impression

Personality Traits

Positive Traits	Negative Traits

Background and History

- Family background and upbringing
 - Significant past events that shaped them
 - Education and life experiences
 - Current living situation
 - Important relationships
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Motivations and Goals

1. What does this character want most?
2. What drives their actions?
3. What are they afraid of?
4. What would they sacrifice everything for?
5. How do their goals change throughout the story?

Character Arc

Beginning	Middle	End
Beliefs or Values		
Relationships		
Internal Conflicts		

Notable Quotes and Actions

Record memorable quotes and significant actions that reveal character.

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Analysis and Reflection

1. What makes this character memorable?
2. How does this character contribute to the story themes?
3. What are the character strengths and weaknesses?
4. How realistic or relatable is this character?
5. What would you change about this character?



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