

## Character Analysis in Stories

### Today's Standard

3.RL.3 - Describe characters in a story (e.g., their traits, motivations, or feelings) and explain how their actions contribute to the sequence of events.

### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Discussing character traits in a favorite book or movie; Creating character profiles for story writing; Role-playing different characters in a play; Comparing characters from different stories; Analyzing characters in historical events; Exploring character motivations in social interactions

### Today I Learned

Today, we learned about characters in stories. We talked about their traits, like being brave or kind, and why they do what they do. We also learned how their actions help tell the story.

### Common Stumbling Blocks

Sometimes kids think that characters do things for no reason, but their actions are usually connected to their traits and motivations. Another common mistake is thinking only the main character is important, but other characters matter too.

### Quiz Me

- What is a character trait?
- Why do characters do things in a story?
- Can you name a character trait?
- Do only main characters matter in a story?
- What helps tell the story besides the main character?

### Help Me

Characters in stories are like people we know. They have traits, like being brave or kind, and they do things for reasons. For example, a brave character might save someone. These actions help make the story interesting and show us what happens next.

