

# Identifying Character Traits and Textual Evidence

- Using the list of character traits brainstormed in class, identify three specific traits that seem especially important about your character and that will help your reader understand him/her. Look for traits that are related to one another in some way. Write your traits in the boxes in the top row.
- Return to your story to find evidence in support of each trait. Quote, paraphrase, or summarize your evidence from the text and list the corresponding page numbers in the boxes below your traits.
- Looking at your traits and evidence, make some conclusions about why the traits are important. Consider what the traits say about your character's motives, values, and beliefs or how they are connected to the story's plot or theme.

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**CONCLUSION(S):** Why these traits are important. Answers the “so what?” of these traits.