

Characterization - grid structure

basic information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ name, age ✓ social position (job, school year) ✓ family ✓ outward appearance 	line(s)
direct characterization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ direct description of the person: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ by the narrator: <i>Alex is a nice boy.</i> ✓ by other characters: <i>My friend Alex is pretty mature for his age.</i> 	line(s)
indirect characterization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ indirect description of the person: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ behavior: <i>Alex instantly decided that he would hop a train.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > adventurous ✓ thoughts: <i>The boy was wondering whether he should help the guard or not.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > good-natured but scared ✓ feelings: <i>He felt helpless after what had happened.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > insecure 	line(s)
your conclusions		

Characterization - example

introduction	<i>George Harker is one of the main characters in (story title) by (author). He is a typical teenager who does not easily accept other people.</i>
main part	<p><i>George is the 15-year old son of a very rich family in Brighton. He lives in an elegant mansion and has known luxury for all his life (ll. 4-12).</i></p> <p><i>[...]</i></p> <p><i>In church, he makes jokes about the Bible (ll. 32-38), which shows that he is a very clever boy with a good sense of humor. However, the fact that he does not stop even after he and Bobby have been thrown out of the church (l. 39) show that it is difficult for him to accept rules and to do what he is told.</i></p> <p><i>[...]</i></p>
conclusion	<i>Finally, one can say that George is a very arrogant boy who is totally influenced by his wealthy family. Therefore, he does not tolerate people from other social classes, and makes fun of nearly everything and everyone. This behavior is criticized by most of the people outside his family. He even loses his best friend in the end. However, this incident does not make him change his attitude, on the contrary, he seems to be proud of himself.</i>