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| **Character Type/Definition** | **Character from Speak** | **Clearly specify a character trait(s)** | **Find evidence for each trait using an MLA citation from the text.** |
| **Static:** a character that does not change |  | Character Trait | Character Trait at the beginning:Character Trait at the end: |
| **Dynamic:** a character undergoes a significant character trait change-usually, but not necessarily an opposite |  | Character Trait at the beginning of the story:Character Trait at the end of the story:Cause of the change: | Evidence for character trait at the beginning:Evidence for character trait at the end:Cause of the change: |
| **Round:** a character that displays multiple different character traits, often exhibiting traits that conflict or contradict each other  |  | Character Trait #1:Character trait #2 that differs significantly from the first: | Evidence:Evidence: |
| **Flat:** a character that only displays a single, defining character trait or a set of closely related traits; a superficial character the author does not develop with complexity. |  | Character trait: | Evidence: Evidence: Evidence: |

Identify the most important characters/main characters.

You should use literary terms to discuss them: are they round characters (fully developed) or flat characters (one-sided, caricaturish)? Static (they don’t change) or non-static (they do)? Believable? Likeable? Utilize the text to support your opinions of how we “know” these people; authors manipulate us into forming opinions on characters, so always be watching for how they do that.

Look for patterns (all people who hold the protagonist back…all people who are ‘too good to be true’…all people who represent aspects of society…etc. Use your imagination in grouping them) and discuss those patterns rather than every single character.

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