Objectives

The student will identify similarities and differences between characters.

Materials

- Narrative text
  - Choose text within students' instructional-independent reading level range.
- Character student sheet (Activity Master C.002.SS1)
- Character comparison student sheet (Activity Master C.002.SS2)
- Pencils

Activity

Students compare characters using a graphic organizer.

1. Provide each student with a copy of the text and a character student sheet. Provide students with one character comparison sheet that they will complete together.
2. The students read or review the text.
3. Name the characters in the story. (Each student selects a different character.)
4. Write the name of the selected character on the character student sheet. Write specific information about the character.
5. Discuss the unique and shared characteristics of the characters.
6. Write the unique characteristics of the characters and the shared characteristics on the character comparison sheet.
7. Teacher evaluation

Extensions and Adaptations

- Use other graphic organizers to compare characters in the same story or different stories (Activity Masters C.002.SS3 and C.002.SS4).
- Discuss the perspective of two characters regarding an event (Activity Master C.002.SS5).
- Use a 3-way Venn diagram to compare three characters (Activity Master C.002.SS6).
Title: __________________________ Author: __________________________

Character: __________________________

Thoughts

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Description

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Feelings

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Actions

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Goals

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Traits

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Other

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Character Connections

Character #1:

Character #2:

Shared Characteristics

Unique Characteristics

Title:

Author:
Character Connections

Title: ___________________________
Character #1: _______________________

How are they alike?

Title: ___________________________
Character #2: _______________________

How are they different?

Title: ___________________________
Character #1: _______________________

Title: ___________________________
Character #2: _______________________

How are they alike?

How are they different?
Character #1

How did the character feel, think, or react to the event or problem?

Character #2

How did the character feel, think, or react to the event or problem?

Title:

Author:

C.002.SS5