

CHARACTER SNAPSHOT



Personality Traits: Use adjectives to describe inner qualities.

Physical Traits:
May include information about hair, eyes, height, age, clothes, voice, mannerisms, habits, etc.

DIRECTIONS

Read an article or feature story about a person. Underline information about the person that describes things that can be seen from the outside. Reread the article looking for characteristics that are not physical in nature. Circle these clues.

Now write the outside (physical) and inside (personality) traits of this person on the organizer. List *Physical Traits* around the outside of the figure. List *Personality Traits* inside the figure.

Share this information about the person in your article with at least one other person.

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Self-Check

1. I read an appropriate newspaper article.
2. I looked for physical characteristics, underlined them, and added them to the outside of the character sketch.
3. I looked for clues about personal characteristics, circled them and added them to the inside of the character sketch.
4. I shared information from the character sketch with at least one other person.

Language Arts SOLs: 7.5, 8.5, 8.6

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