

Casting Roles | Characterization Project

Differentiated Instruction Mini-Project

Directions: You will choose actors and actresses for movies versions of the stories that we have read. You will choose ten different characters and **complete the following for each choice:**

1. Write the name of the character and describe their role in the story.
2. List some character traits and explain how they are shown.
3. Describe the character's motivation and how you know it.
4. Select and appropriate actor or person from real life to play the character and explain how that person exemplifies the character traits and fits the role well.

Example from Lord of the Flies:

1. **Character:** Ralph is the leader of the tribe at the beginning of the story.
2. **Traits:** Ralph is described by the narrator as fair and tall. We know he is helpful because he is trying to build shelters when no one else seems to care.
3. **Motivation:** Ralph is motivated by getting the boys rescued. I know this because he argues with Jack when Jack lets the fire go out.
4. **Actor:** Ralph will be played by Justin Bieber because they are both likeable and charismatic guys.

Team Up: Have a partner draw costumes for five different characters. Summarize the scene in which the outfit was worn and explain your design choices.

Information: *Are your character descriptions accurate? Did you identify motivations and traits correctly?*

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Completeness: *Did you choose ten characters? Did you complete each of the four tasks for each character?*

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