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Creative Writing:
Character Description and Dialogue

Name _____ **Date** _____

Build a character your reader can picture, then let their words and choices reveal who they are.

1 Shape your character

SCENE STARTER Your character arrives late to meet someone who has been waiting. The other person says, “I thought you weren’t coming.”

What do they want right now?

What might they be hiding?

What detail would someone notice first?

What habit or phrase makes them distinctive?

2 Describe them

Write a vivid description of your character in this moment. Choose precise details, use a simile or metaphor, and hint at what they feel or want.

3 Let them speak

Write a short exchange of at least six spoken lines. Give the characters different voices, use correct speech punctuation and action beats, and let the conversation change what happens next.

BEFORE YOU FINISH

- ☐ I used precise details.
- ☐ Their voices sound different.
- ☐ Something changes.