



## CHARACTER TRAITS

1. A trait **tells the sort of person or character is** and gives an idea about what a character is like.
2. A trait **lasts a long time**, often a lifetime.
3. An **author may state the trait**. (Ex: He was a *greedy* man.)
4. The reader may have to **watch for how characters act or behave**. Give attention to how a character looks, speaks, thinks, feels, behaves towards others, and to what the character says.

adventurous	cunning	hopeful	proud
affectionate	curious	humble	quiet
aggressive	daring	ignorant	reckless
agreeable	dependable	imaginative	responsible
ambitious	determined	impatient	rude
arrogant	diligent	impulsive	scornful
boring	dishonest	independent	selfish
bossy	doubtful	industrious	serious
brave	dull	innocent	shrewd
brilliant	dumb	intelligent	shy
capable	dutiful	jealous	simple
careful	easygoing	kind	skillful
careless	energetic	lazy	sly
caring	enthusiastic	loving	sneaky
cheerful	expert	loyal	sociable
childish	faithful	mean	strict
clever	fearless	mischievous	stubborn
clumsy	foolish	moody	sympathetic
comical	friendly	mysterious	tactful
compassionate	fun-loving	nasty	talented
compulsive	gentle	neat	thoughtful
concerned	giving	neighborly	timid
confident	glamorous	obedient	touchy
conscientious	gloomy	optimistic	unkind
considerate	greedy	patient	vulgar
cooperative	gracious	pessimistic	vicious
courageous	hardworking	playful	wise
courteous	helpful	polite	witty
cowardly	honest	practical	worldly