

# Get to Know Your Character: Example

Below is an example of how to complete pages 2 - 6.

**STEP 1:** Answer the prompt below, with the basic character you just developed in mind. If you're not sure about how to answer the question, write down anything—you can always revise your answer later.

- 5. Your character lost something. What is it, and how did they lose it?
  - My character lost a colored pencil
  - He was drawing in the hallway, during lunch. The bell rang, surprising him, and as he was packing up
    he forgot to pick the pencil up again.

**STEP 2:** Based on your answer to the question above, what facts do you now know about your character? And, how do you know these facts?

|                            | Facts About Your Character  |                           | How Do You Know?   |
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| 1.<br>2.<br>3.<br>4.<br>5. | Cares about art Art might be more important than socializing Gets really focused on his interests Carries a lot of items with him Student at school | 2. C<br>b<br>3. G<br>4. H | Vants to draw in his free time Choosing to draw by himself, instead of eing with friends in the cafeteria Sets startled by the bell le has a colored pencil with him in the first lace there's a bell to signal the end of lunch |
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| 1. | What is in your character's pocket, and how did it get there? |  |  |
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| 2. | Describe a dream your character had. How did they react when they woke up? |  |  |
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| 3. | Your character just won the lottery. What are they doing with the money? |  |  |
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| 4. | Your character is going on a road trip. Where are they going, and who are they going with? |  |  |
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### Your Narrative

Choose one of the prompts that you wrote about on pages 3-7 as your starting point. Don't worry about writing something perfect; instead, try to focus on using the details that you brainstormed to inform the choices you make about what your character says, eats, packs in their suitcase, etc. Continue in your writing journal if you need more space.