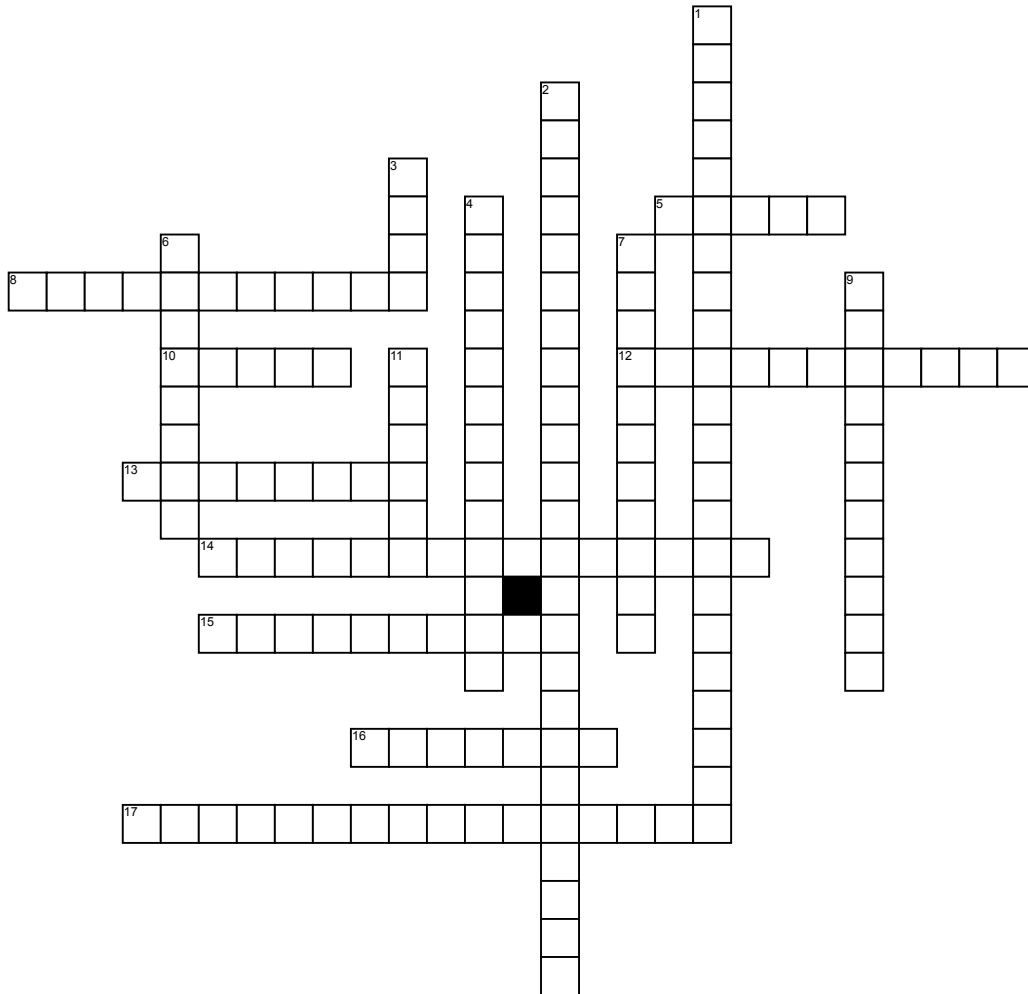


# Types of Characters and Characterization



**Across**

- 5. Which acronym helps you to remember the five elements of indirect characterization?
- 8. the main character or central person in a story
- 10. a character in a story whose different sides of personality are all shown in the story
- 12. Character Traits are words that describe a character's \_\_\_\_\_.
- 13. An obstacle that the central character in a story must overcome
- 14. The plot and resolution of conflict most often revolves around these characters.

- 15. a character in a story who opposes the protagonist, usually recognized as the "bad guy"
- 16. a character in a story that changes over time
- 17. the method in which the author lets the reader get to know the character/s

**Down**

- 1. when a writer tells us directly what the character is like
- 2. when writers reveal characters' traits more subtly (not so obvious)
- 3. a character that is one-dimensional or lacking in complexity. Typically this character can be easily and accurately described using a single word.

- 4. A well-developed character who demonstrates varied traits. These characters usually change in some way over the course of a story.
- 6. With direct characterization, traits are told to you by the \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7. a character that the reader can identify with and care about
- 9. Most minor characters are \_\_\_\_\_.
- 11. A character who reveals only one, maybe two, personality traits in a story or novel, and the trait(s) do not change.

**Word Bank**

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|------------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| antagonist       | narrator         | conflict                | static                    |
| flat             | round/dynamic    | Direct Characterization | dynamic                   |
| protagonist      | STEAL            | flat/static             | round                     |
| Characterization | major characters | personality             | Indirect Characterization |
| sympathetic      |                  |                         |                           |