

Determining Methods of Characterization

Title of Selection: _____

Author: _____

Methods of Characterization	Examples from the Selection
INDIRECT CHARACTERIZATION	
The character's own speech or dialogue with others reveals their character.	
The character's appearance and clothing is described by the author.	
The internal thoughts of the character reveals their character.	
What other characters in the story think or say about the character is described by the author.	
How the character acts or what they do is described by the author.	
DIRECT CHARACTERIZATION	
The character is specifically described by the author: sly, truthful, mean, compassionate, and so on.	