**Character Literary Terms**

1. **character-** a person or animal in a story that an author develops
2. **characterization-** the process of an author revealing a character’s personality
3. **direct characterization-** when an author directly states a character’s personality
4. **indirect characterization-** when an author drops hints or clues about a character’s personality

**5 types:**

 **a)** actions

 **b)** appearance

 **c)** speech

 **d)** thoughts and feelings

 **e)** other character’s reactions

 **5. character trait-** a quality of a character that cannot be seen

 **6. inference-** an educated guess

 **7. round character-** a three-dimensional character, or one who has been fully developed by the author

 **8. flat character-** a two-dimensional character, or one who has not been fully developed by the author

 **9. static character-** a character that does not change

 **10. dynamic character-** a character whose personality changes permanently as a result of the story’s events

 **11. motivation-** a character’s reason for doing something

 **12. hero-** the good guy

 **13. villain-** the bad guy

 **14. protagonist-** the main character

 **15**. **antagonist-** a character that aggravates and goes against the main character