

Character Development Worksheet

This worksheet is designed to help you create fully developed characters for your stories. It serves as a structured guide to explore your character's personality, history, and conflicts. This worksheet is a companion to the Character Development Deck, which provides thought-provoking questions and visual inspiration to deepen your character creation process. The Character Development Deck, as well as other great resources for creators, are available at www.Dunhamade.com.

Character Basics

Full Name: _____

Age: _____

Gender: _____

Ethnicity or Species (if applicable): _____

Choose three "Who am I?" cards at random:

Card 1:
Question: _____

Answer: _____

Card 2:
Question: _____

Answer: _____

Card 3:
Question: _____

Answer: _____

Character Archetype

Choose one (or more) character archetype card(s):

Character Archetype(s): _____

How does this archetype shape their personality? _____

In what ways do they embrace or defy this archetype? _____

How does this archetype affect their relationships? _____

Character Arc

Choose a character arc card (Negative, Flat, or Positive):

Character Arc: _____

How do they change (or resist change) by the end? _____

For character with a Flat Arc - How does the world change by the end? _____

What is the emotional impact of this transformation? _____

Core Traits & Personality

Describe your characters personality: _____

Choose four "Personality" cards at random:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Choose two "Personal Life" cards at random:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Choose one "Values" or "Possessions" cards at random:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Appearance

Describe your characters appearance: _____

TIP: Review the 92 unique portraits in your Character Development Deck if you need inspiration for your character's appearance.

Choose three "Appearance" cards at random:

Card 1:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Card 2:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Card 3:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Career

If applicable choose three "Work" cards at random:

Card 1:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Card 2:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Card 3:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Education

If applicable choose three "School" cards at random:

Card 1:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Card 2:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Card 3:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Relationships

Choose three "Friends" cards at random:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Choose three "Family" cards at random:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Choose two "Romance" cards at random:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Religion

Choose three "Religion" cards at random:

Card 1:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Card 2:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Card 3:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Skills and Abilities

Choose two "Skills/Abilities" cards at random:

Card 1:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Card 2:

Question: _____

Answer: _____

Internal & External Conflicts

Internal conflict(s): _____

External conflict(s): _____

What happens if they fail? _____

What does 'victory' look like for them? _____

Final Character Summary

One-sentence summary of your character: _____

How do they evolve throughout the story? _____

What makes them memorable? _____
