# Essential Standards Plan: Characters

Standard What do we want our students to learn?	<b>RL.3.3-</b> I can describe characters in a story (e.g., their traits, motivations, or feelings) and explain how their actions contribute to the sequence of events.
Learning Target What do we want our students to learn?	<ul> <li>I can explain what a character trait is.</li> <li>I can describe a character's traits based on his/her dialogue, feelings, actions, and/or thoughts.</li> <li>I can describe how a character's actions and motivations contribute to the events.</li> <li>I can evaluate how a story would change if the character's actions were different.</li> </ul>
Vocabulary What do we want our students to learn?	Std. vocab - character, trait, dialogue, feelings, actions, thoughts, motivation, events  Testing vocab- explain, describe, contribute, evaluate
Tier 1 Lessons What do we want our students to learn?  We rearranged lessons. Lessons 1-6 focused on determining traits, 6-7 focused on citing evidence to prove the traits, & 7-14 focused on analyzing how the character affected the plot & how the story would be different had the character changed or been different. This was because it made more sense to progress that way.  We also added in more independent practice during small group time. Students seemed to grasp characters more because of this change.	Lesson 1- Define vocab for the unit /anchor chart, flocab or brain pop video, google form CFA 1 (linked below) Lesson 2- Character traits vs. feelingsSort Activity Lesson 3- Character traits of ourselves/others -Character Trait selfie using either flipgrid or another digital platform Lesson 4- Character traits in a Pixar short as a hook to finding character traits in text Link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vPuRBiBCxyk&t=7s -Non digital plan: fishbowl or partner discussions -Digital plan: Google meet to discuss video and/or padlet response: What character trait did you think the Piper displayed & why? Lesson 5- Practice identifying character traits on google slides -link: https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1WSZe 9Wthe7J7PQI XOrw7-GPPSaGsIPOnLIpJfxJVqM/edit#slide=id.g8732ecc2ba 1 19 Lesson 6- Character traits in task cards CFA 2 (linked below) Lesson 7- Character development & changeWatch these videos on Gru from Despicable Me: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bx7PdmKIC3UBeginning (stop at 3:08)

We also changed our mentor text to Charlie and the Chocolate factory.

(ends at 3:13)

https://youtu.be/tMKzQ1Ta8JU End (starts at 3:20 & ends at 5:39)

-Discuss how he changed & what caused him to change on flipgrid and/or padlet

**Lesson 8-** How character traits/actions contribute/affect the plot

-Mentor text: a chapter from Junie B. Jones & her Big Fat Mouth

-If digital & ideal do a google meet to read story & discuss. If not record story & have students respond via form or flipgrid or padlet

**Lesson 9, 10, & 11-** Read Sweet Ms. Adeline & begin questions on character traits, change, how characters affect plot (if ideal, do a google meet to get kiddos started.) Link:

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1jU1jsO8eQ2YjLY3Q3 vfwm7-E7CPQPoz9AAf47 vTeBU/edit#slide=id.g85a2c95240 0 5

**Lesson 12:** Citing evidence when determining character trait -Google forms if digital:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/18TH603YhH95gN1Pfve3G6 WMelQICPaTJ29rtGBjyQEk/edit

-If not digital 4 square strategy with groups

**Lesson 13:** Citing evidence when determining character trait -Google forms if digital:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/11lqXTEmepkmRdENsbykVCeKE7JyEZvr0A78BkTwFmDI/edit

-If not digital do forms with a partner

**Lesson 14:** Citing evidence when determining character trait -Google forms CFA 4 (linked below)

#### 15 day plan:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Qc8JiaW4KWlsjznJV1 YximisYo-WS5Oj/edit

#### **UNIT SLIDES:**

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1bU4Axw247N2tFgjJ 5e-0R9EdQYA-kFgJOGZo3fJX2Oo/edit#slide=id.p

# Strategies finish once 15 day unit plan is complete

What visible learning strategies can you use?

- Direct Instruction
- Summarizing

#### **Direct Instruction:**

• Given using the 15-day planning guide for characters

#### Vocabulary:

Discussed in class and supplemented with Flocabulary

#### Discussions:

<ul><li>Vocabulary Instruction</li><li>Concept mapping</li><li>Class Discussion</li><li>Peer Tutoring</li></ul>	Student-led discussions (ex. think, pair, share & fishbowls) used frequently, Flipgrid & padlet responses		
Co-Teaching Responsibilities What will the co-teacher be doing to support the students?	Mrs. Raines will supplement this unit by providing:  Small group reteaching based on data showing specific target goal needs; using different strategies  Providing accommodations to those with an IEP		
Formatives How will we know if they learned it?	CFA 1- https://docs.google.com/forms/d/137NFq7bWWiYN levMjCXO rDioDguXqYNnDsn0YARhss/edit CFA 2- https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1FOI uhj4BvzCp2Lv1 Z4U4vmvVvEErVfoe437vB2sBds/edit#slide=id.p CFA 3- https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1PW18wNMeow9GcomtWB gG2lgzld3XClmHofuEWbEZSEc/edit CFA 4- https://docs.google.com/forms/d/11ycMC2o-ByK05WanRrR5J P9UU4HSF7FUMGCBQcyj1OU/edit		
Summatives How will we know if they learned it?	RI.3.3- Characters Summative Assessment: https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1FmCDV451uvF3PEQ nhjuQtfgLuDcD aOvW5blwzgRCfc/edit#slide=id.g77915164b0 0 21		
Tier 2: Re-teaching What will we do when students don't learn it?	Most Fridays will be used for reteach/extension groups. Mrs. Raines, Ms. Crawford, and Mrs. White will all take a group based on what needs to be re-taught. Lists are developed after CFAs have been discussed.		
Extension What will we do when they already know it?	Reteach: Character Traits vs. feelings Reteach: Finding character traits of characters in text. Reteach: How a character changes and how his/her actions contribute to the plot Extension: During:Retell a story in which you give the character(s) different character traits. How has the story been changed now that these characters have new traits? and/or write a story to show characters' traits, motivations, & development. After CSA: Point of View		

# Mid Unit Reflection:

Date: 9/10/20

# What performance tasks/other evidence show that the students are doing well with this unit?

- Student CFAs
- Center activities aligned specifically with target goals (New)

## What learning experiences are being used to facilitate the students' successes?

- Digital centers to practice target goals
- "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" read aloud
- Student discussions on the read aloud above
- Real-life application (identifying own character traits)

#### What additional supports are needed for this unit?

• Small group reteach with task cards as practice

Teacher: White	Teacher: Arp	Teacher: Crawford Class Average: 85 Target 1: 90 Target 2: 90 Target 3: 80 Target 4: 80	Teacher: Cothren
Class Average:	Class Average:		Class Average: 85
Target 1: 90%	Target 1: 85%		Target 1: 80
Target 2: 80%	Target 2: 80%		Target 2: 85
Target 3: 70%	Target 3: 80%		Target 3: 80
Target 4: 85%	Target 4: 85%		Target 4:80
Students of Concern: TI: BA, BB T2: BA, BB T3: BB, CB, OP, RB T4: BA, BB, TB	Students of Concern: Target 1: AC, EG, JS Target 2: AC, EG, JS Target 3: SB, EG, JS Target 4: SB, EG, JS	Students of Concern: Target 1: Target 2: Aliyah, Trey, Karlei, Jax Target 3: Trey, Aliyah Target 4:Trey	Students of Concern: Target 1: Target 2: Sophia, Shy Target 3: Target 4:Brayden
Next Steps:	Next Steps:	Next Steps:	Next Steps:
Small group	Small group reteach	Small group	Small group reteach
reteach with task	with task cards to	reteach with task	with task cards to
cards to practice	practice	cards to practice	practice

# **End of Unit Reflection:**

**Date**: 9/23/20

#### **Assessment Results:**

Teacher: White Class Average: 75% *After corrections, but before reteach average: 84%	Teacher: Arp Class Average: 76% *After corrections, but before reteach average: 82%	Teacher: Crawford Class Average: 818	Teacher: Cothren Class Average: 80.2
What students still need reteaching: Braylnn Braxton Tyler Enoch	What students still need reteaching: Ethan Jax Kailaan Corbin	What students still need reteaching Jax Aliyah Trey	What students still need reteaching Shy Savannah Brayden Cameron

#### What learning experiences were most useful with this unit?

- Having students do independent practice during guided reading proved to be the MOST helpful. They understood character traits much quicker because of this intentional practice.
- Using a chapter book as a mentor text allowed practical application and showed them how they could describe characters in a book. It also allowed more time for practice.

## What learning experiences did students struggle with?

- Students struggled the most with understanding motivations of a character and how they affect the plot.
- In the beginning they also struggled a little with citing evidence. They did great with verbalizing the evidence, but couldn't always get it on paper. They did however improve in this area.

## What target goals did students struggle most with?

- Using evidence to support answers
- Character Motivation

## What adjustments need to be made for this unit?

• Next year, we need to spend more time with characters' motivation and how that affects the plot.