

CHARACTER DESCRIPTION CHEAT SHEET

Face Shape

Oval
Heart-shaped
Diamond
Square
Rectangular
Round
Long face
Wide face
Narrow face
Broad face

Cheekbones

Angular
Chiseled
Sharp
Strong
Prominent
Sculpted
Broad
Wide
High
Fine
Delicate

Chin

Pointed
Square
Round
Long
Short
Jutting
Protruding
Receding
Weak
Cleft
Double chin

Nose

Long
Hooked
Arched
Beak-shaped
Aquiline
Roman
Grecian
Button
Delicate
Small
Uprturned
Snub
Flat
Crooked
Straight
Sloped
Bulbous
Wide
Narrow

Eyebrows

Thin
Slim
Slender
Full
Thick
Bushy
Sculpted
Over-plucked
Unibrow
Close-set
Tapered
Short
Low arch
High arch
Angled arch
Rounded arch
Curved
Straight
Flat

Lips

Thin
Full
Heart-shaped
Bow-shaped
Peakless
Round
Narrow
Wide
Lopsided
Uneven
Down-turned

Jaw

Strong
Weak
Rounded
Squared
Angular
Chiseled
Prominent

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Eye Shape

Almond
Round
Deep-set
Monolid
Hooded
eyelids
Droopy
eyelids
Downturned
Upturned
Protruding
Close set
Wide set

Eye Color

Amber
Hazel
Chestnut
Chocolate
Honey-brown
Topaz
Russet
Emerald green
Forest green
Sea green
Olive green
Jade
Blue-green
Sapphire
Cornflower
Ice blue
Lapis blue
Gray
Violet

Body

Thin
Slim
Slender
Skinny
Scrawny
Lean
Wiry
Petite
Dainty
Willowy
Lanky
Gangling
Curvy
Full-figured
Athletic
Muscular
Sculpted
Toned
Strong
Brawny
Hulking
Beefy
Barrel-chested
Stocky
Squat
Stout
Burly
Portly
Pudgy
Overweight
Husky
Rotund
Chubby
Hour-glass
Pear-shaped

Skin Tone

Porcelain
Alabaster
Ivory
Fair
Pale
Pallid
Ruddy
Rosy
Beige
Tawny
Umber
Brown
Sepia
Sienna
Bronze
Topaz
Amber
Tanned
Golden
Copper
Ocher
Dusky
Swarthy
Ebony
Obsidian
Midnight

Skin Misc.

Tattoos
Piercings
Freckles
Beauty marks
Birthmarks
Scars

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Hair Texture

Curly
Wavy
Straight
Fluffy
Bushy
Frizzy
Shaggy
Full
Limp
Greasy
Slick
Oily
Stringy
Wiry
Straggly
Coarse
Thick
Thin
Wispy
Fine
Silky
Soft
Vibrant
Voluminous
Shiny
Bouncy
Dull
Lackluster
Messy
Disheveled
Windswept
Tousled
Tangled
Knotted
Matted

Hairstyles

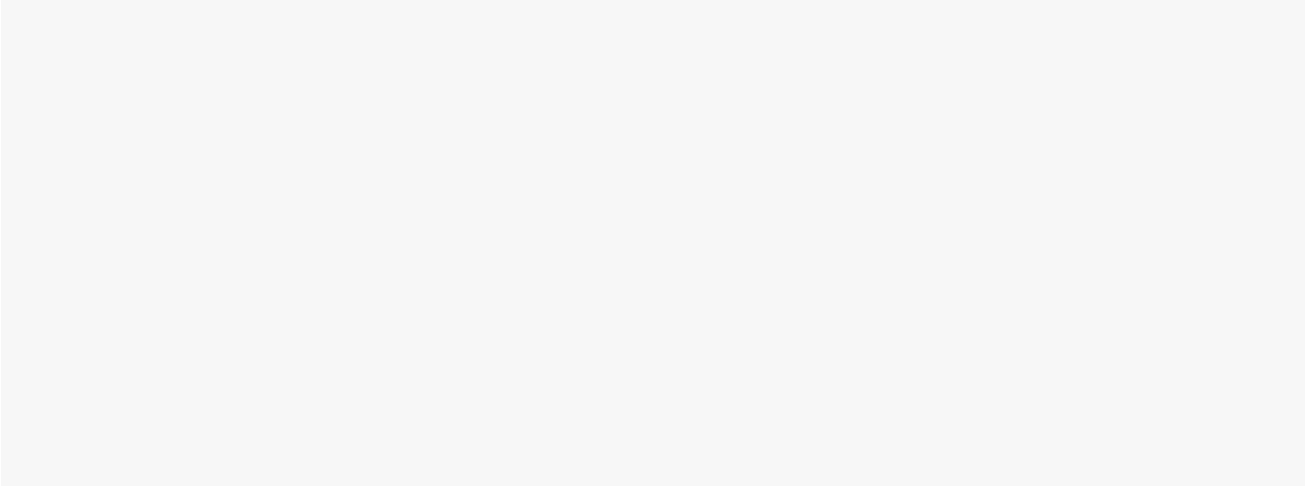
Braids
Cornrows
Ponytail
Pigtails
Dreadlocks
Afro
Teased
Blowout
Perm
Beehive
Bun
Top knot
Bump
Ringlets
Mullet
Bob
Layered
Choppy
Gelled
Slicked back
Spiked
Mohawk
Pixie cut
Pompadour
Quiff
Bowl cut
Buzz cut
Under cut
Crew cut
Comb over
Shaved
Balding
Bald
Highlights
Fringe/bangs

Hair Colors

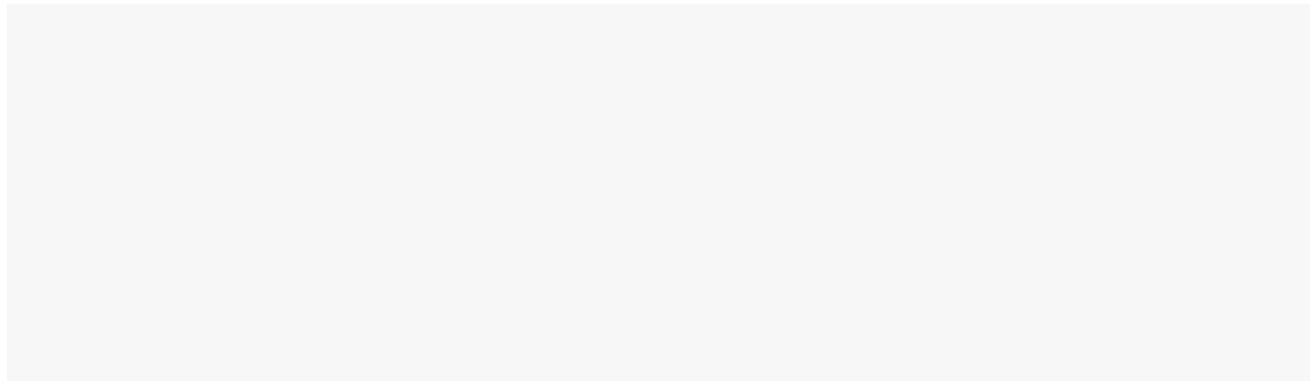
Blonde
Bleached
Fair-haired
Flaxen
Tawny
Dirty blonde
Strawberry blonde
Platinum blonde
Honey blonde
Golden
Redhead
Ginger
Auburn
Copper
Amber
Russet
Crimson
Brunette
Ash brown
Dark brown
Light brown
Golden brown
Sandy brown
Chocolate brown
Chestnut
Mousy
Umber
Raven
Jet-black
Blue-black
Ebony
White
Silver
Gray
Salt and pepper

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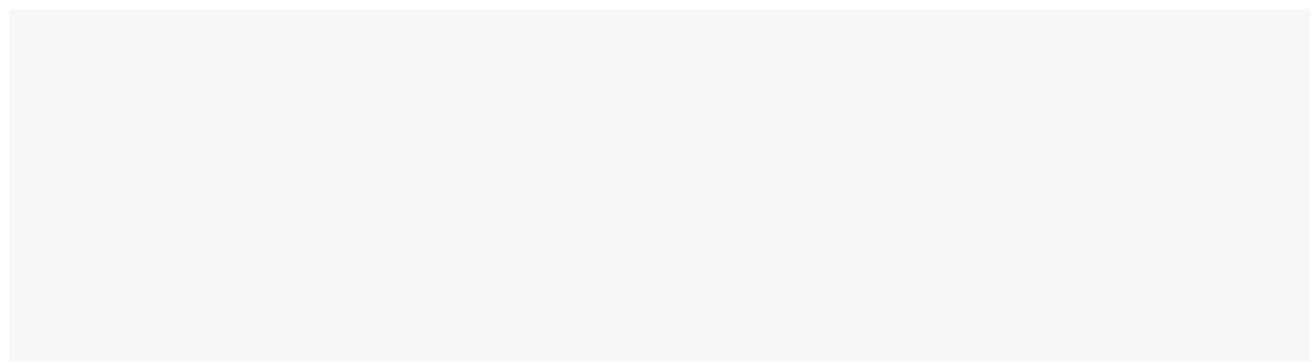
1. What sort of facial features does your character have? (face shape, eyes, nose, lips, jaw, chin, brows, ears, cheekbones, facial hair)



2. What color is your character's hair? Is it their natural color or dyed? How do they style their hair? What texture does their hair have?

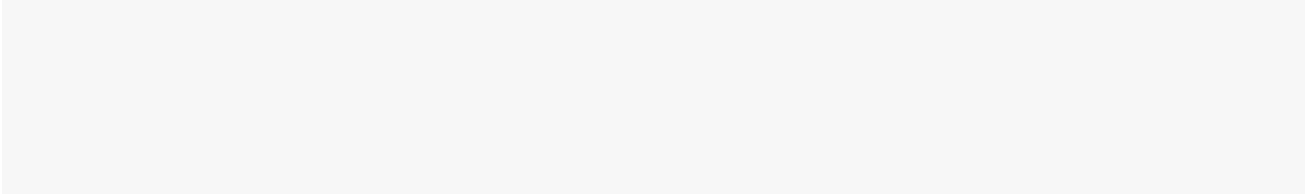


3. What is your character's skin tone? Does he/she have any noticeable skin texture or afflictions? What about distinguishing features like scars, freckles, birthmarks, tattoos, and piercings?

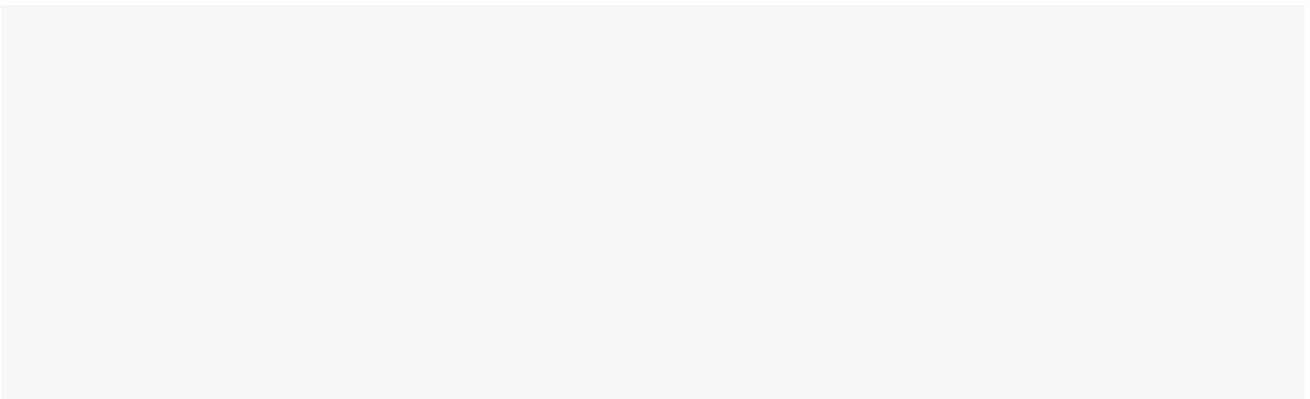


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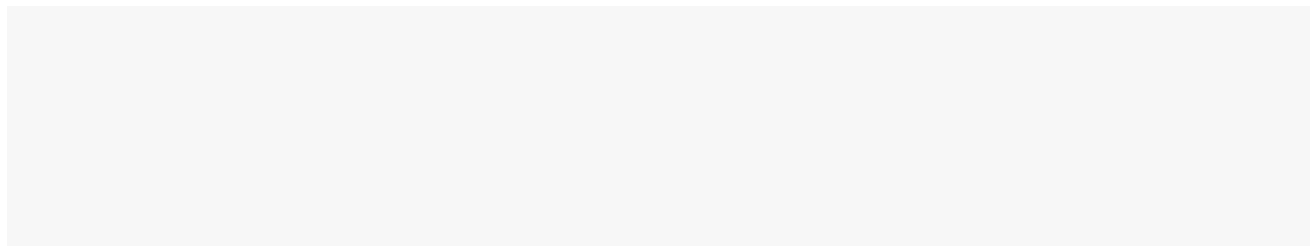
4. What is your character's build/body type and height?



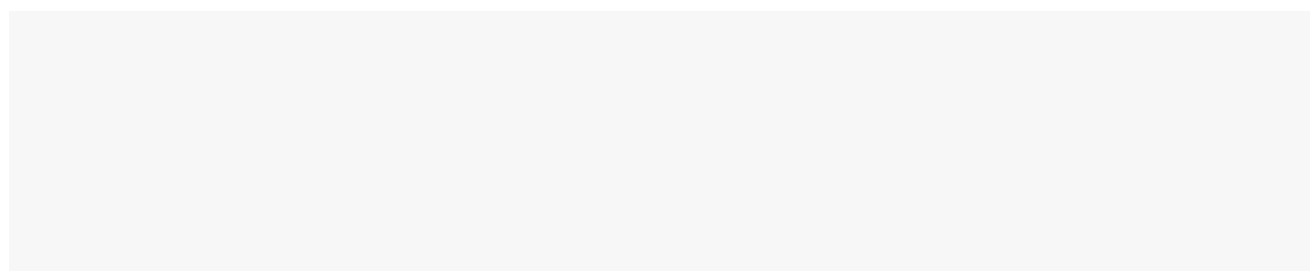
5. What style of clothes does your character wear? What about accessories like jewelry, hats, scarves, bags, etc.?



6. Does your character carry around any specific/significant personal items? (ex. a camera, book, compass, flask, good luck charm, etc.)

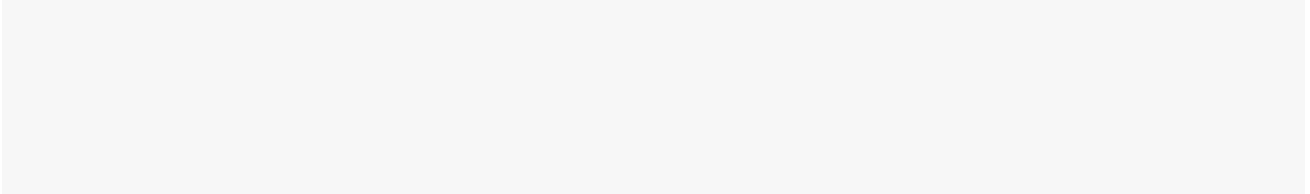


7. Does your character wear makeup? If so, how do they wear it? (natural, bright lipstick, winged eyeliner, smokey eyes, etc.)

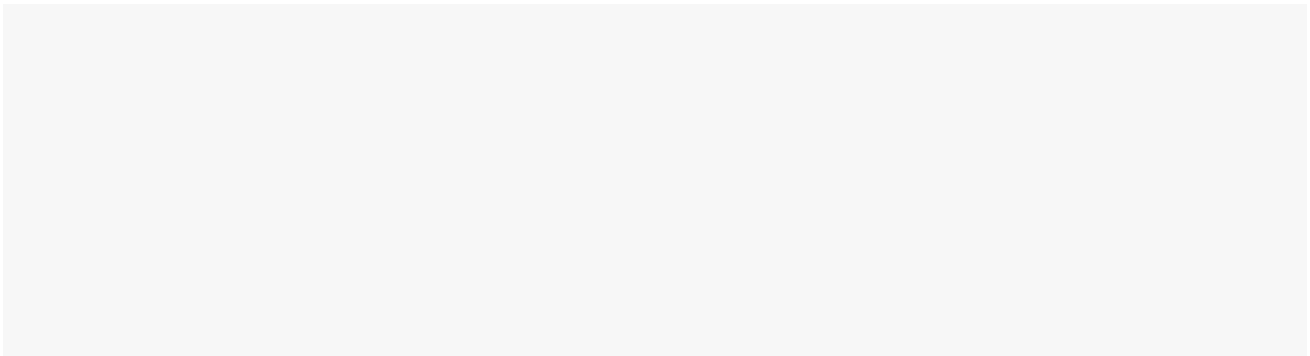


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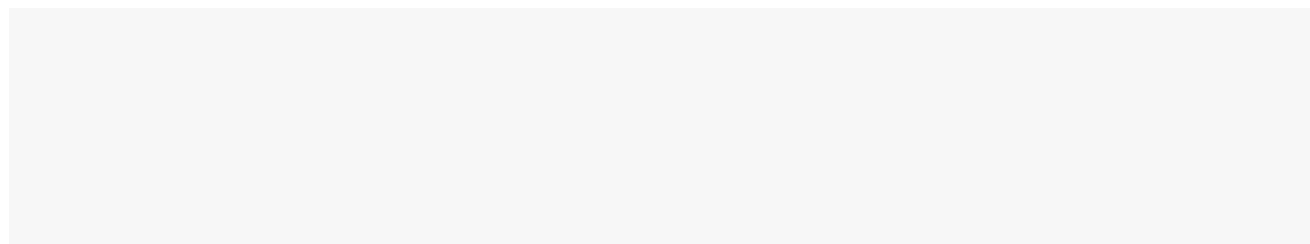
8. What does your character's voice sound like? Does he/she have an accent?



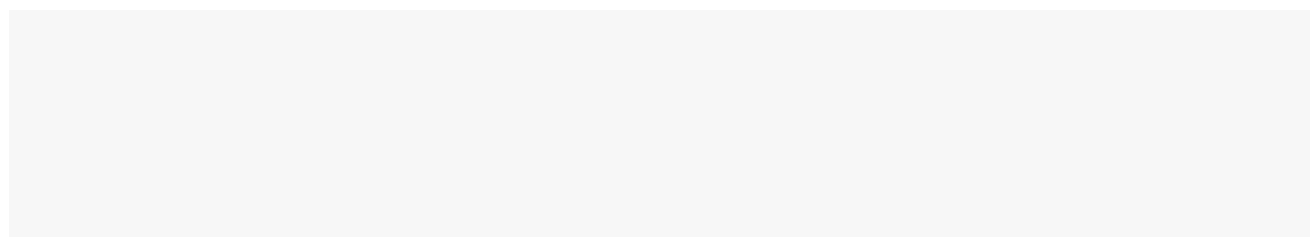
9. How does your character carry him/herself? What is his/her posture and body language usually like? (ex. confident, wary, timid, shy, etc.)



10. Does your character have a specific scent? (ex. from their shampoo, perfume, always baking or cooking, etc.) This could also be a negative smell (alcohol, drugs, body odor, etc.)

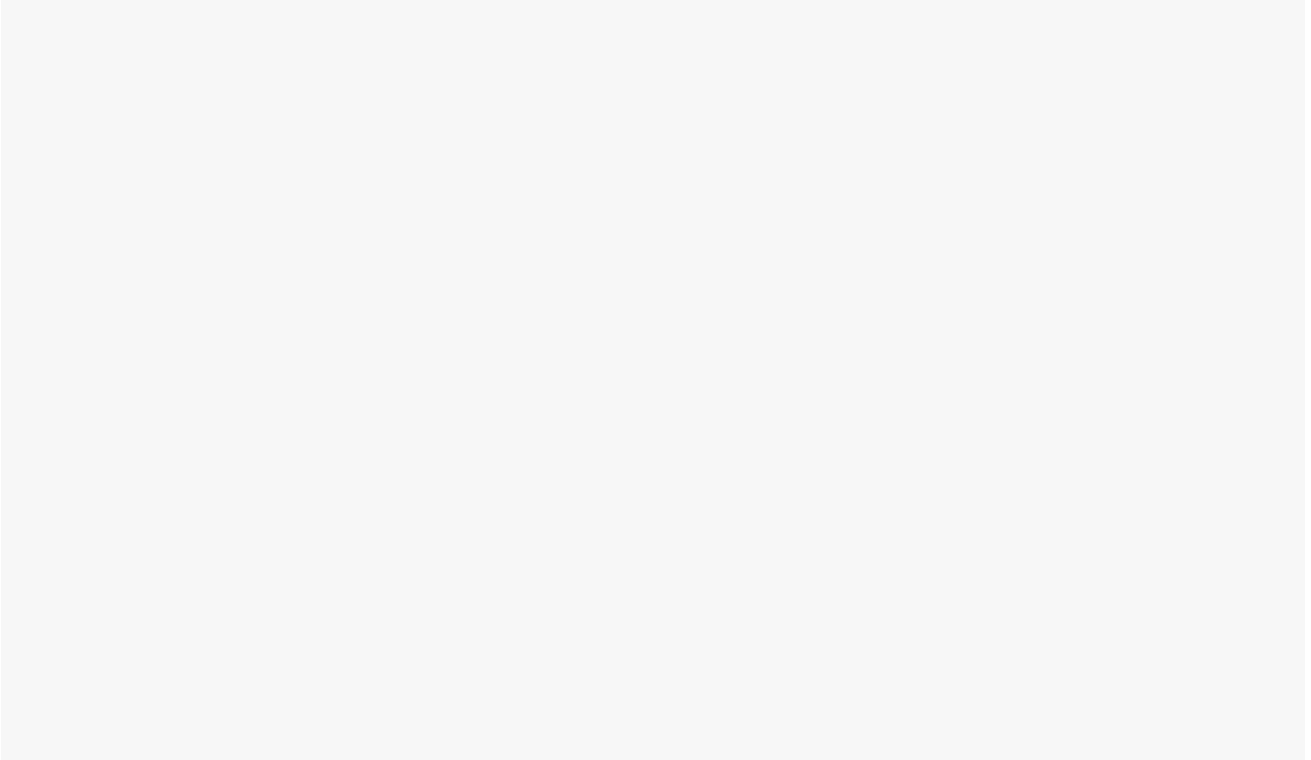


11. Are there any gestures or mannerisms your character has a habit of making frequently?

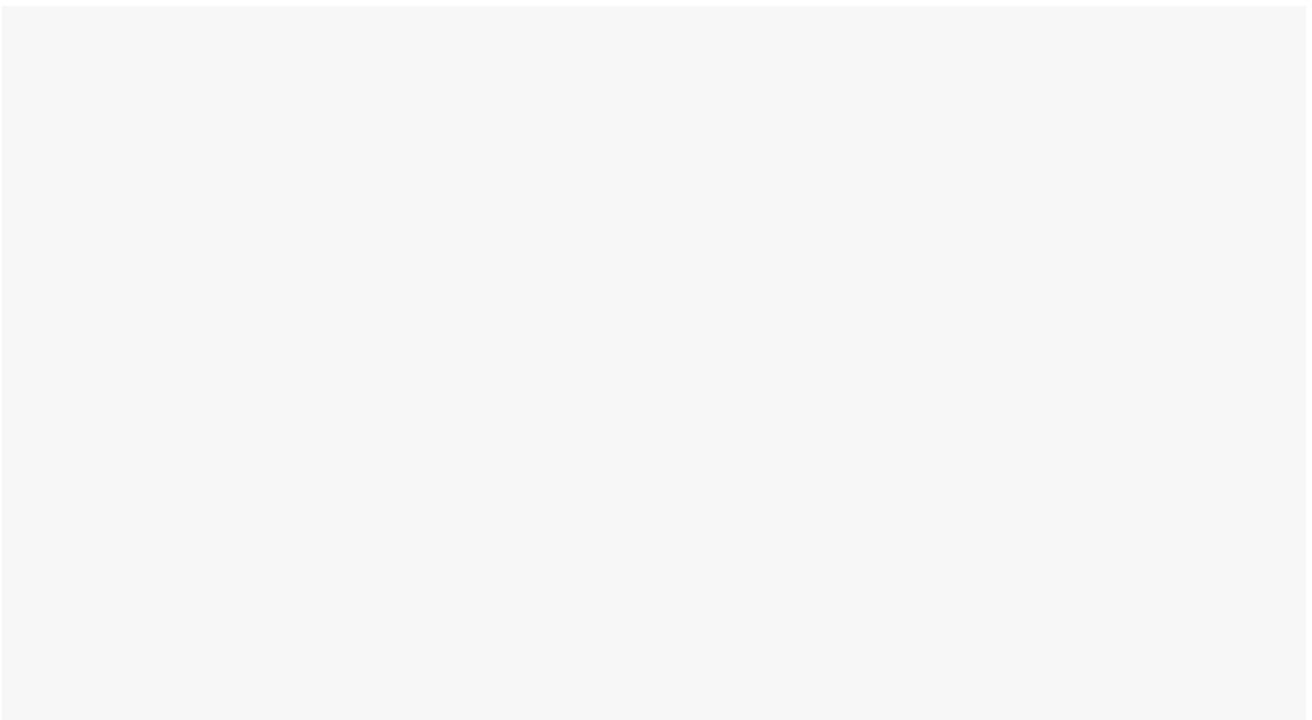


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12. What is your character's personality like? Which details will best express this visually?



13. What are the most interesting details about your character?



NO-FAIL CHARACTER DESCRIPTION TEMPLATE

1

Choose 2-3 of the most interesting details about your character that expresses who he/she is visually.

2

Choose one more detail to describe using a simile or metaphor.

3

Put the character into motion by describing gestures, body language, mannerisms, actions, etc.

NO-FAIL CHARACTER DESCRIPTION TEMPLATE

4

Combine the details from steps 1-3 into a rough description. Aim to give a vivid impression of the character and reveal his/her personality rather than listing details.

5

Refine your description. Can you get any more specific to reveal more about the character?