Language Arts 8

Unit 5 - Lesson 2

Name: ()

Enter your responses between the (blue) parentheses below each item.

Section 1

- 1. Complete the following chart for the **protagonist** or **main character** in the novel. You may use the sample character traits list (at the end of this assignment) for reference.
 - Consider how the character has changed throughout the novel due to the conflicts experienced.
 - As well, note how others viewed the character, both at the beginning and end of the novel.
 - Give examples, with page numbers, from the novel to support your answers.

Character Name: ()

What motivates your character or what does he or she want? (Mark: /2) ()				
Consider the character's words, behavior, or actions. Identify five character traits the words and behavior depict. Provide evidence or examples from the story. (Mark: /10) ()	Describe the character's appearance. Provide page numbers from the novel to support your description. (Note: Not all novels describe characters' appearances. If your novel does not, use details from the front cover or your imagination to identify personalities.) (Mark: /2)			
Identify how others view the character in the novel. Provide evidence from the novel. (Mark: /2)	Identify two lessons the character learned in the novel. Provide evidence from the novel. (Mark: /2)			

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2. Who is your favourite character in the novel and why? (Mark: /2)

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Total Marks for Section 1: /20

Section 2

Choose either the **main character** or **a secondary character** in the story. Create a compelling social profile for a character from your novel. Complete the chart below. (Mark: /10)

- Draw or find a photo of your character.
- Provide information about your character's background, interests, and activities.
- What might your character's favourite quotations be? Are there song lyrics he or she might value?
- How has the character responded to challenges he or she has faced?
- Is there any contradictory or unexpected behaviour in the character?
 Why?
- Has your character matured or developed in the novel? Provide evidence to show development or no change.
- Create **four** conversations with other characters or "comments" on your character's profile.
- Gather (or create) photos the character might have taken during the events in the novel.
- What would the character's last status post or blog entry read before the novel ends?

Compile and apply evidence from the novel to construct a compelling social profile to bring the character to life.

- Use the Profile Assessment Rubric to review your work.
- Edit for word choice, spelling, capitalization, and punctuation.

Character Profile

Character Photo	Age and Date (Time): ()
	City: ()
	Character's traits, opinions or point of view at the beginning of the novel. Provide evidence from the novel.
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Photos the character might have taken along the journey:	Favourite Quotations
along the journey.	()
Personal Information:	Describe how the character responds
()	to challenges. Provide evidence from the novel.
Activities:	
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Interests:	
Significant Moments on the Character's	Significant traits, qualities, opinions or
Journey:	values the character possesses by the end of the novel. Has the character
Best moment:	matured or grown? Provide evidence
	from the novel.
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Worst moment:	
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Last status update:	
Comments and conversations with	
other characters:	
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Profile Assessment							
	Excellent 5	Proficient 4	Satisfactory 3	Limited 2			
Content /5	I constructed an imaginative and creative profile page for a character in the novel. I used precise and original details.	I constructed a thoughtful and plausible profile page for a character in the novel. I used specific and relevant details.	I constructed an appropriate and predictable profile page for a character in the novel. I used general and straightforward details.	I constructed an unclear and confusing profile page for a character in the novel. I used imprecise and vague details.			
Presentation /5	I communicated engagingly and accurately.	I communicated thoughtfully and with few errors.	I communicated clearly with some errors.	I communicated unclearly with many errors.			
Insufficient	Your attempt to respond is <i>insufficient</i> . Contact your teacher to discuss suggestions for improvement.						
Total: /10							
Assessment	Areas of Strength () Might I suggest ()						

Section 3

1. The characters in your novel either had a significant relationship with another character, worked as a team, or as a group to achieve a goal.

How do the characters work together in your novel? What do they accomplish or learn from each other? (Mark: /2)

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2. What does the main character contribute to his or her community in the novel? How does he or she recognize his or her dependence on or responsibility for others? (Mark: /2)

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Total Marks for Section 3: /4

Student Comments:

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- Be sure to save your file to your folder before submitting it to the LA8 Assignment 5.2 Submission page: (YOURNAME)la8-5.2
- Check the Submission page again in two or three days to retrieve your marked assignment and review the feedback from your teacher.

Assignment Total: (/ 34) = Percent: (%)

Teacher Comments:

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Sample Character Traits

demanding able hopeless restless dependable active humorous rich depressed adventurous ignorant rough affectionate determined imaginative rowdy afraid discouraged impatient rude alert dishonest impolite sad ambitious disrespectful inconsiderate safe doubtful satisfied independent angry annoyed dull industrious scared anxious dutiful innocent secretive apologetic eager intelligent selfish arrogant easygoing jealous serious attentive efficient kindly sharp average embarrassed lazy short leader bad encouraging shy blue lively silly energetic bold evil skillful lonely bored excited loving sly bossy expert loyal smart fair lucky brainy sneaky faithful brave mature sorry fearless bright mean spoiled brilliant fierce messy stingy foolish busy miserable strange calm fortunate mysterious strict careful foul naughty stubborn careless fresh nervous sweet cautious friendly nice talented charming frustrated noisy tall cheerful obedient thankful funny childish thoughtful gentle obnoxious old clever giving thoughtless clumsy glamorous peaceful tired coarse gloomy picky tolerant pleasant concerned good touchy confident graceful polite trusting confused grateful trustworthy poor considerate greedy popular unfriendly positive cooperative grouchy unhappy courageous grumpy precise upset useful cowardly guilty proper cross happy proud warm cruel harsh quick weak curious hateful quiet wicked dangerous healthy rational wise helpful reliable daring worried dark honest religious wrong decisive hopeful responsible young