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Listen and Draw

Listen carefully as Amanda reads aloud, and draw what you hear. Then, compare your drawing with other students'. What is the same? What is different? Which of Roald Dahl's descriptive words influenced your drawing the most?



What's In a Name?

Writers put a lot of thought into choosing names for their characters. Have a look at these names and character descriptions from *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, and discuss them with a partner. What connections do you see?

Violet Beauregarde	Obsessed with chewing gum, and boasts about it. In French, "Beauregarde" means respected, or highly regarded. Violet's parents encourage her to win gum chewing competitions.
Augustus Gloop	Loves to eat, and is constantly eating or complaining that he's hungry. "Gloop" means sloppy, sticky. His parents feed him whatever he wants.
Veruca Salt	A girl who is very greedy. Her family is very rich, and she is allowed to have anything she wants.
Mike Teavee	A boy who wants to do nothing more than watch TV all day. His parents let him watch as much as he likes.

Choose Your Character's Name

Roald Dahl originally came up with ten characters who would win golden tickets and tour the Chocolate Factory. Today, you're going to create one too. Here are some first- and last name options that you can combine ... or come up with your own! Think about what kind of personality your character will have, and which name will help to express it.

First Names

Frangipani
Rodrigo
Sassy
Chachi
Horatio

Phineas
Kwame
Gwendolyn
Abena
Magnolia

Last Names

Runnyjump
Snoozelton
Screechleburg
Zingostomp
Twinkledance

Snodgrass
Fishnickers
Poppercut
Falderbace
Knickerbocker



Build a Profile

HELLO
my name is

Write the name you chose for your character on the label to the right. Now it's time to give them a personality. Think about what how they look and act, and what they want and fear.

Appearance: Tall or short? Bald or bearded?

Behaviour: Are they funny? Kind? Grumpy? Rude?

Goals: What do they want in life?

Fears: What is their biggest weakness?

Now, come up with a simile to describe their appearance and behavior. (For example, you could say "He was bald as a bowling ball.")

Appearance

Behaviour



Introduce Your Character

Draw your character, then write a paragraph describing them in as much detail as possible. Use the similes you created on the last page, and make sure your reader understands the character's strengths, weaknesses, and motivations.


