Characterization

When considering characterization, what do we focus on?

* Personality traits – age, gender – protagonist, antagonist – relationships and how they change – narrative POV – motives for characters – character development – perspective –
* Traits – implicit – implied 🡪 not directly stated, but revealed through actions and what other people say
  + - Explicit 🡪 directly stated – told what the person is like

Elements of characterization:

* How a character acts and why
* What a character says
* What is said about the character (by themselves, other characters, narrator)

Focus🡪What the character discovers and how he or she changes

* One of the things that reveals/develops theme