

CHARACTER DESCRIPTION CRIB SHEET

Character name/ aliases/nicknames	
Character overview	

Character's physical characteristics

HAIR: color, texture, length, smell	
MOUTH: teeth, lips, tongue, breath	
EYES: color, size, shape, reminds of	
FACE: skin, nose, chin, brow, ears	
VOICE: volume, tone, accent, reminds of	
HANDS: shape, handedness, fingers, skin	
BODY: posture, height, weight, shape	
DRESS: impression, perfume, colors, accessories, style	

MARKS: tattoos, birthmarks, scars	
AGE	
Gestures and movements	

Character's biographical characteristics

Career and past careers	
Workplace	
Birthplace/hometown	
LOCATION: town, neighborhood	
HOME: type of home, furnishings, property, neighbors	
Parents (might require a separate crib sheet)	
FAMILY: members, tree	
Romantic partner	
Relationship history	
Best friend(s)	

Character's personality characteristics

Temperament	
WORDS: expressions, slang	
What ticks character off?	
What calms character down?	
What inspires	

character?	
What scares character?	
What is character proud of?	
What does character want changed?	
Fondest memories	
Strengths	
Weaknesses	
VALUES: faith, ethics	
HABITS: quirks, superstitions, routine	
Deepest secrets	
Hobbies and interests	
Character's dislikes	
FAVs: films, books, food, music, etc.	

Character's story

Character's role	
How others view the character	
Character's transformation (character arc)	