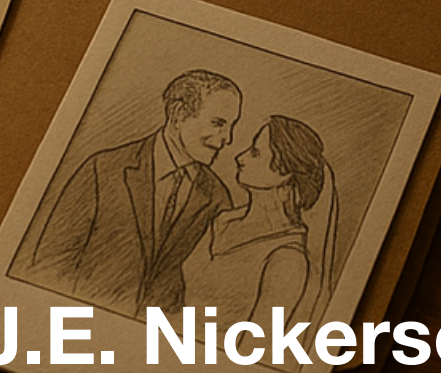


Create Real Characters: A Writer's Checklist & Guide

CHARACTER DOSSIER

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Great characters aren't born—they're built. This free dossier tool will help you bring your characters to life with intention, depth, and soul.

Character Profile Creation Checklist

1. Think of Your Character as a Mission Impossible Dossier

- Imagine your character's personal strengths and skills like a detailed dossier.
- Treat every fact you write as an important part of their story.

2. Get to Know Your Characters Deeply

- List their likes, interests, and hobbies.
- Note where they lived or grew up.
- Describe how they think and process the world.
- Imagine your character as a real person with a full life.

3. Start Writing Your Character's Profile

- Write down all known details about your character.
- Think about how these details can influence the story or plot.
- Focus on making your character feel realistic and relatable.

4. Allow Your Character to Evolve Over Time

- Remember you don't need to know everything at once.
- As you write, discover new layers and traits of your character.
- Use each new story or scene to deepen character development.

5. Organize Your Character Notes

- Choose a note-taking app or system you like.
- Create folders or sections for each character.
- Keep your notes synced across devices if possible.
- Regularly update your notes as your character grows.

6. Choose the Right Tools for Note-taking

- Does your app sync across all your devices?
- Is it regularly supported and updated by the developer?
- Can you easily export your notes if needed?

7. Enjoy the Creative Journey

- Embrace the process of discovering your characters.
- Have fun developing your writer's voice alongside your characters.
- Revisit and revise your character profiles as your story evolves.



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