Characterization Project

When reading a novel, it is sometimes hard to picture what a character looks like. Connecting characters with visual images brings the reader a deeper understanding of the characters. For Lyddie you are going to create your own visuals for the ten characters.

These are the chapters in which the characters FIRST appear, but Lyddie’s family members, Luke Stevens, and Triphena reappear later in the book as well.

Chapter 1: Lyddie Worthen; Mrs. Worthen; and Charles OR Rachel
Chapter 2: Luke Stevens
Chapters 3-7: Triphena OR Mistress Cutler
Chapter 6: Ezekial
Chapter 8: Betsy OR Amelia;
Chapter 9: Diana; Mr. Marsden
Chapter 23: Lyddie (new traits and image(s) since she is dynamic)

***You should begin Lyddie immediately. All adjectives and images for the “first” Lyddie should describe her from Chapters 1-5.

This project is worth 10% of your quarter grade.
**Task:**

- Come up with four thoughtful adjectives that describe each character.
- Illustrate the character trait by either drawing, printing pictures from the Internet, or taking prints from a magazine or other source. You may intersperse your own drawing with found images.
  
  - You need at least four images that symbolize each of the four traits or qualities you selected. For example, if I selected “strong” as a trait, I might find or draw a picture of a body builder. The picture could be male or female or even a cartoon as long as it shows physical strength.
- Below each image you must include a sentence or sentences that validate the adjectives using text evidence. The proof should be a specific instance or event in the novel that clearly demonstrates how the character exemplifies the adjective selected.
- For ONE of the traits, you must ALSO cite a direct quote to support the trait. You must include the page number from the text on which the quote appeared.
- A completed entry will include the character’s name, four traits with accompanying images, and four sentences that prove validate the adjectives. ONE of those traits must also have a specific quote from the text with its page number. You may be creative with how you present this information, but all must be there to receive full credit.
- Attach all entries together in a mini “book.” You may just staple them or you may use a book, binder, or report folder.
- Include a cover page that includes a title, your first and last name, the date, and the period that you have English.

This project is due ___________________. You should begin this project immediately. As you read and a character is introduced, you should jot down information in your Readers’ Notes or in your literature log. Be as creative as you like, and have fun with it!

**Parent/Guardian Signature**

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