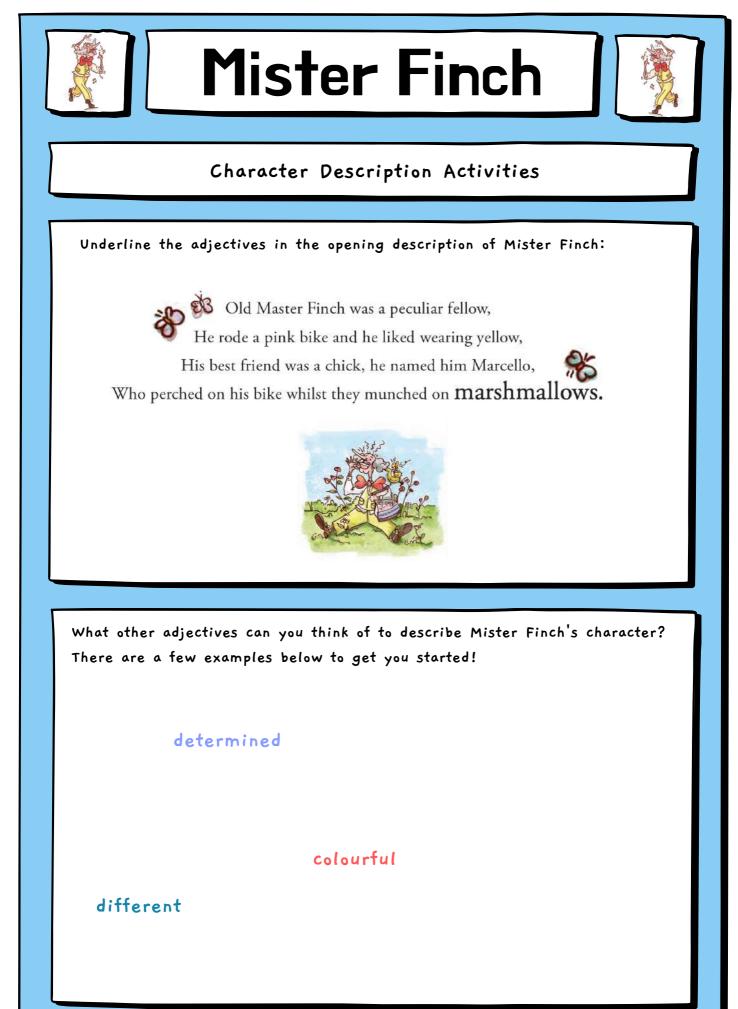
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Language Techniques

Devices to improve character description

SYNONYMS

A synonym is a word that has the same meaning as another word. Find one for these words:

Funny:

Sad:

Excited:

Tired:

Sound:

SIMILE

A simile compares two things using 'like' or 'as' e.g. 'like a falcon, he pedalled, he raced'. Can you come up with your own simile? This time, describe Mister Finch as he cycles <u>slowly</u> home from the palace.

SENSORY DESCRIPTION

The best writing appeals to all <u>five</u> of our senses: sight, hearing, touch, taste, smell. Can you use all 5 senses to describe this?

Sight: Touch: Taste:

EMOTIVE LANGUAGE

It is important to describe how a character is feeling by <u>showing</u>, rather than telling. E.g. Instead of saying Finch is sad, he is described with an 'upside down smile'. Can you come up with an

example for feeling happy?

Smell:

CREATE Character YOUR OWN

Now it's time to come up with your own version of Mister Finch. Think about how old they are, what they look like, what they like to do, how they are feeling...Can you picture them in your head? Good! Now it's time to write down a few notes to describe them.

1 Notes about how my character looks: e.g. her hair is 'short and shiny and smooth'; her eyes are 'large green marbles'.

2 Objects/ animals to which I could compare my character's appearance: e.g. a horse, a bright sunflower.

3 Similes and metaphors I could use: e.g. she ran far & wide, like a wild horse; her smile was 'a bright sunflower'.

4 Notes about how my character behaves: e.g. she is bonny and grateful; she has excellent manners.

5 Objects/ animals to which I could compare my character's behaviour: e.g. a butterfly; hot chocolate with marshmallows.

My Character
Now it's time to have a go at your character description!
What my character looks like:





Name:
What my character looks like: