

Max's Magnificent Adventure: Character Description Template

Learning objective: To identify and use a range of nouns and verbs effectively to create vivid descriptions of a character.

Max the Monkey is planning a daring expedition! Use this template to design your own original explorer character. Focus on using specific nouns (people, places, or things) and powerful verbs (action or state-of-being words) to bring your character to life. Write clearly and check your spelling.

Word bank: courageous · scramble · equipment · navigate · expedition · observe · landscape · discover · determined · sprint

1. Character Identity: Who is your explorer? Give them a name and describe their appearance using at least two specific nouns (e.g., 'a rucksack', 'a compass'). (2 marks)

2. Action Stations: What is your character doing in the jungle? Write two sentences describing their actions using strong, exciting verbs (avoid using 'walked' or 'went'). (2 marks)

3. Setting the Scene: Where are they exploring? Describe the environment using nouns to identify the features (e.g., 'the waterfall', 'the canopy'). (2 marks)

4. The Discovery: What has your character found? Use a noun to name the object and a verb to describe how they react to it. (2 marks)

5. Grammar Challenge: Find one noun and one verb you have used in your writing above and explain why they are important to your description. (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Challenge: Can you rewrite one of your sentences by replacing a common noun with a more specific one, and a common verb with a more powerful, precise alternative? Share your improvements with a partner.