Creating Amazing Characters: A Writing Frame

Learning objective: To use adjectives, expanded noun phrases, and conjunctions to write a detailed character description.

Use this frame to describe a character for your story. Think about what they look like, how they move, and what makes them unique. Use the word bank to make your sentences more interesting.

Deep within the Whispering Woods, a mysterious figure emerged from behind the ancient oak tree.

Word bank: shimmering · clumsy · enormous · as quick as a flash · furthermore · on the other hand · although · in addition to · remarkably · gentle

1. Physical Appearance: Describe what your character looks like. What colour are their eyes? What kind of clothes or fur do they have? Start with: My character has... (2 marks)

2. Movement and Personality: How does your character move? Are they graceful or clumsy? What are they like on the inside? Start with: They move across the ground... (2 marks)

3. Special Talents: What is your character excellent at doing? Do they have a special skill or item? Start with: The most interesting thing about them is... (2 marks)

4. The Character's Goal: What is your character trying to find or achieve? Start with: Currently, they are searching for... (2 marks)

5. Final Thought: How do you want the reader to feel about your character? Start with: When you meet them, you feel... (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Can you rewrite one of your sentences to include a relative clause using the word 'who' or 'which'? For example: 'The fox, who wore a tiny blue scarf, trotted quickly through the leaves.'