Vocabulary

PEOPLE - character, mood and intelligence

Below you will find vocabulary that may be useful when you want to describe a person's character, mood and intelligence.

CHARACTER

honest	dishonest	warm/kind	cold/unkind	proud
dependable	calculating	affectionate	aggressive	arrogant
frank	cunning	compassionate	callous	boastful
loyal	deceitful	considerate	cruel	conceited
reliable	false	friendly	cynical	condescending
sincere	hypocritical	generous	evil	contemptuous
straightforward	scheming	gentle	heartless	scornful
trustworthy	insincere	helpful	hostile	supercilious
truthful	treacherous	loving	malicious	
	two-faced	overbearing	mean	
	unreliable	sensitive	ruthless	
			wicked	

prejudiced	unprejudiced	strong-willed	weak-willed	courageous
biased	unbiased	assertive	compliant	audacious
intolerant	fair	confident	dependent	bold
subjective	objective	determined	diffident	brave
judgemental	just	domineering	docile	fearless
narrow-minded	open-minded	firm	insecure	heroic
one-sided	tolerant	headstrong	irresolute	valiant
partial	impartial	independent	submissive	
racist		resolute	unassertive	
unfair		obstinate		
		opinionated		
		stubborn		

outgoing	reserved	reasonable	unreasonable	
extrovert	discreet	logical	foolish	
lively	introvert	rational	illogical	
sociable	quiet	patient	impatient	
talkative	reticent	prudent	imprudent	
vivacious	shy	sensible	irrational	
	timid		insensible	

MOOD

happy	sad	angry	afraid	surprised
cheerful	depressed	annoyed	anxious	amazed
content	devastated	cross	apprehensive	astonished
delighted	distressed	enraged	frightened	astounded
elated	gloomy	furious	nervous	flabbergasted
exhilarated	heartbroken	infuriated	scared	gobsmacked
overjoyed	miserable	livid	terrified	startled
pleased	shattered	mad	worried	stunned

confused	upset	calm	disappointed	excited
bewildered	agitated	composed	bitter	eager
baffled	disturbed	peaceful	disillusioned	enthusiastic
disconcerted	perturbed	placid	dissatisfied	thrilled
perplexed	tense	relaxed	embittered	inspired
puzzled	troubled	serene	frustrated	ecstatic
	unsettled	unaffected		

INTELLIGENCE

intelligent	unintelligent
able	brainless
brainy	daft
bright	dumb
clever	foolish
gifted	half-witted
sharp	retarded
smart	simple
talented	stupid

TEXTS

Below you will find vocabulary that may be useful when you talk about the texts.

atmosphere	tone	style
calm	aggressive	complicated
(highly) charged	arrogant	elegant
(un)friendly	cheerful	emotional
frightening	comic	factual
gloomy	desperate	(in)formal
hopeful	humorous	journalistic
hostile	ironic	literary
loving	light	objective
oppressive	matter-of-fact	simple
relaxed	optimistic	straightforward
stifling	pessimistic	subjective
strained	sarcastic	convoluted
tense	serious	
uneasy	tragic	

subject/topic	theme	story	relationship
boring	central	amusing	close
controversial	common	boring	complicated
dull	contemporary	compelling	friendly
fascinating	controversial	depressing	(un)happy
important	fascinating	dramatic	harmonious
(un)interesting	historical	exciting	lasting
(un)pleasant	important	humorous	loving
taboo	interesting	incredible	professional
	main	intriguing	strained
	minor	moving	uneasy
	original	horrifying	
	popular	thought-provoking	
		unputdownable	
		(un)realistic	

How to read a novel and a short st

When starting to read a fictional text, you may find it helpfu
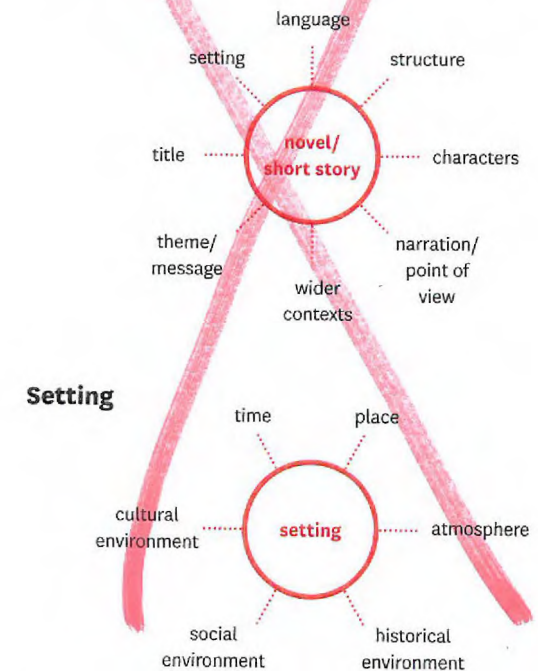asking yourself the following wh-questions:
Where does the story take place?
When does the story take place?
Who appears in the text? **Who** are the characters?
What happens? **What** is the plot?
Why does this happen?

As you read, find keywords and phrases to help you under:
the text is all about and to help you form a general impressi
make a detailed analysis of the text it will be useful to conside
below. When you identify characteristic features in your ana
sure that you explain their effect in your interpretation.

Setting

1 Where and when does the text take place? Is it in the real
imaginary world?

2 Does the place of action remain the same or is there more :