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Worksheet: Analyzing Character 2

The following questions show how well you define character types and analyze characters in text.

Question 1: Read the passage below. Then answer the question.

The Monkey



A lady once had a monkey, which had been brought to her as a present. This monkey, like all others, was very fond of mischief and of doing whatever he saw others do. His mistress found him one day sitting on her toilet table, holding in one hand a little china mug with water in it, and in the other her toothbrush, with which he was cleaning his teeth, looking all the time in the glass.

Her little daughter, Maria, had a large doll with a very handsome head and face. She one day left this doll in the cradle, and went out of the room. The monkey came in, took the doll in his arms, and jumping upon the washstand, he began to wash its face. He first rubbed it all over with soap. Then seizing the towel, he dipped it in the wash bowl, and rubbed it so hard that the doll's face was entirely spoiled, the paint being all washed off.

What kind of an animal is this monkey? Which of the following words best describes the monkey?

- ☐ witty
- ☐ helpful
- ☐ playful
- ☐ mean
- ☐ disloyal
- ☐ hateful
- ☐ mischievous

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Question 2. Read the passage carefully. Then answer the question.

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“Please, mother, do sit down and let me try my hand,” said Fred Liscom, a bright, active boy twelve years old. Mrs. Liscom, looking pale and worn, was moving languidly about, trying to clear away the breakfast she had scarcely tasted.

She smiled, and said, “You, Fred, you wash dishes?” “Yes, indeed, mother,” replied Fred; “I should be a poor scholar if I couldn’t, when I’ve seen you do it so many times. Just try me.”

A look of relief came over his mother’s face as she seated herself in her low rocking-chair. Fred washed the dishes, and put them in the closet. He then swept the kitchen, brought up the potatoes from the cellar for the dinner and washed them, and then set out for school.

Select words that describe Fred.

- ☐ courageous
- ☐ pessimistic
- ☐ helpful
- ☐ lively
- ☐ patient
- ☐ co-operative
- ☐ competitive
- ☐ clever