# Terms to Know

**Direct Characterization**: is the process by which the writer reveals the personality of a character.

**Indirect Characterization**: *shows* things that reveal the personality of a character. There are five different methods of indirect characterization:

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|  **S**peech  | What does the character say? How does the character speak?  |
|  **T**houghts  | What is revealed through the character’s private thoughts and feelings?  |
|  **E**ffect on others toward the character.  | What is revealed through the character’s effect on other people? How do other characters feel or behave in reaction to the character?  |
|  **A**ctions  | What does the character do? How does the character behave?  |
|  **L**ooks  | What does the character look like? How does the character dress?  |

**Exposition**: Introduction of the setting, characters, and plot (introduces conflicts/obstacles of story).

# Homework - on a separate sheet of paper please:

1. Provide 4 examples of direct characterization and 4 examples of indirect characterization from your independent reading book.
2. Write 10 to 12 sentences on the exposition of your independent reading book. Be specific and explain the introduction as if I have not read the book – be specific!