

Character Traits


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What Was Harriet Tubman Like?

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Part 1:
Describe Harriet's Character

Look at the character words in the list below. Color in the boxes with words that tell what Harriet was like. You can write more words in the empty boxes if you'd like. Pick at least three character words.

heroic	brave	strong
clever	helpful	calm
caring	frightened	inspiring
	smart	

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- Hand out the *What Was Harriet Tubman Like?* printables. First, have a class discussion about some of the things Harriet did in her life, such as escape enslavement, and return to help others escape.
- Ask: “What do these actions say about her? What kind of a person was she?” Have children color in the words that they think describe Harriet. You can also brainstorm and define new words, such as determined.
- Last, have them complete part 2 of the activity.

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Part 2: Write About It!

Use the sentence starters to write about Harriet's character.

Then draw a picture.

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I think Harriet was _____

because she _____

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Here is a picture that shows Harriet's character.

