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Villain



The Villain

A villain is the “bad guy” in a story. The villain is typically committing or trying to commit a crime, or otherwise trying to harm people in some way, although they may believe that they are doing something that is for the good of humanity. As one of the main character archetypes, the villain displays characteristics of evil. Villains tend to be self-centered, power-hungry, and willing to stop at nothing to achieve their goals. Although villains are frequently the antagonist in a story, not every antagonist is a villain. Anyone or anything that stands in the way of the protagonist accomplishing their story goal is an antagonist. An antagonist does not need to display characteristics of evil, or intend harm.

DIRECTIONS: Think about a book or a movie that you have enjoyed that included a villain.

Name of Story: _____

Type (movie, book, etc.): _____

1. Who is the villain? _____

2. What is the villain trying to accomplish in the story?

3. Does the villain display “characteristics of pure evil?” Explain.
