Characterization Worksheet 1

Directions: Read a short description of an event. Identify a character trait that is revealed by each action. Explain your answer.

1. Jake is Cassie's older brother. One day they are walking home from school when a cold front rolls in and the temperature drops 20 degrees. Jake is dressed more appropriately for the weather than Cassie. He takes off his hooded sweatshirt and offers it to her. She gratefully accepts. Jake is now colder, but he is happier.

What character trait does Jake demonstrate? __________________________

Explain your answer by referencing the text.

2. Craig is a football player training over the summer for next season. The coach demands that all players come in at 6:00 AM and lift weights until 8:00 AM, when practice begins. Craig gets there at 5:00 AM to begin his training.

What character trait does Craig demonstrate? __________________________

Explain your answer by referencing the text.

3. Anna volunteered to help Kylie clean her house. When Anna washed the mirrors, Kylie asked her if she used paper towels instead of newspapers. When Anna admitted that she had, Kylie asked her to redo them. Then, while Anna was sweeping, Kylie corrected her on her technique. "Don't just push the dirt around, Anna. SWEEP it," Kylie told Anna.

What character trait does Kylie demonstrate? __________________________

Explain your answer by referencing the text.

4. Corey came back from the bathroom and noticed that her rainbow pencil was missing. She looked around the room and saw that Beth was using a rainbow pencil. Corey started crying uncontrollably and ran out of the room.

What character trait does Corey demonstrate? __________________________

Explain your answer by referencing the text.

5. Kelvin found a wallet on the ground. He opened up the wallet and saw an old woman's ID card. Kelvin took the ID out of the wallet, walked to the woman's house, and returned the wallet to her.

What character trait does Kelvin demonstrate? __________________________

Explain your answer by referencing the text.
6. Jonathan invited a bunch of friends over to his house. He then talked to them for hours about all the
trophies that he had won, his rare comic book collection, and how much money his dad makes. His
friends did not enjoy their time at Jonathan's.

What character trait does Jonathan demonstrate? _______________________________________

Explain your answer by referencing the text.

7. Rocky's cousin brought him to a party. Rocky didn't know anyone at the party. Shortly after getting
there, Rocky's cousin disappeared. Rocky made a lot of new friends at this party and had a great time.

What character trait does Rocky demonstrate? _______________________________________

Explain your answer by referencing the text.

8. The teacher asked Khadija what the answer was to the problem on the board. Khadija wore a worried
expression on her face for a moment and then put her head down on her desk. After the teacher moved
on to someone else, Khadija whispered to her friend that the answer was 26. Khadija was right.

What character trait does Khadija demonstrate? ______________________________________

Explain your answer by referencing the text.

9. After Mark's mechanical pencil ran out of lead, he asked Pete, who sat next to him, if he could
borrow a pencil. Pete yelled, "No, Mark. If you didn't come prepared, why is that my fault? Bring
TWO pencils to class! You can't have one of mine or you'll never learn your lesson."

What character trait does Pete demonstrate? _______________________________________

Explain your answer by referencing the text.

10. Scott doesn't talk much, but five girls in our homeroom class are currently competing for his
attention. This is nothing new. Girls have liked Scott for as long as I can remember.

What character trait does Scott demonstrate? ______________________________________

Explain your answer by referencing the text.