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Character Impressions Through Acrostics

An acrostic is a poem or other form of writing in which the first letter, syllable or word of each line, paragraph or other recurring feature in the text spells out a word or a message. Since the characters in this book have probably made an impression on you, this activity will help you to flesh out that impression by writing a few acrostic poems. Using the letters of their name, choose one word or phrase for each letter that describes that character in particular and write it next to that letter.

For example, if I were writing an acrostic about myself, it would read something like this:

A lways moving

L oves books

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N ight owl

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Your turn. Try to describe these characters with your own acrostics about them.

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