

Directions: On a new sheet of paper, write the correct heading. This will be warm ups for week one. Make sure that each day you label the day of the week, and the date. (Remember, the date is on the back board.) If you are absent on one of the days of the week, you need to write absent for that day. You do not need to make of the missing day. If you are absent, you need to turn in your warm ups for the week on the day you return.

**Day 1 Monday trait**

**trait (noun) -a special quality or feature of a person or animal**  
**-Creativity is a trait that most artists have.**

1. Complete the sentence. You need to write out the entire sentence, not just the part you added.

One of my personality traits is \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Think of a character in a book you have read. What traits does that character have?

a. \_\_\_\_\_  
character trait

b. \_\_\_\_\_  
character trait

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3. Which word is a synonym for trait? Circle your answer.

- a. personality
- b. description
- c. quality
- d. sign

**Day 2 Tuesday characteristic / character**

**characteristic (noun)** -A regular quality or feature of someone or something.  
-Fast action is a characteristic of a soccer game.

**character (noun)** -all of the many things that make one person or thing different from another.  
The parks and playgrounds in this neighborhood give it a friendly character.

1. Complete the sentence. You need to write out the entire sentence, not just the part you added.

An elephant's characteristics are \_\_\_\_\_.

A principal's character is often \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Which sentences does not use characteristic correctly?

a. Curly hair is a characteristic of some families.

b. Stripes are a characteristic of the zebra.

c. One characteristic of poetry is rhyme.

d. The person in the book was characteric.

3. Think about your own *character*. What are three *characteristics* you can name?

a. \_\_\_\_\_.

b. \_\_\_\_\_.

c. \_\_\_\_\_.

**Day 3 Wednesday**      **characterize**

**characterize (verb)**      **-to describe the character and qualities of someone or something.**  
**You could characterize life in a city as noisy and busy.**

1. Complete the sentence. You need to write out the entire sentence, not just the part you added.

I would characterize my school as \_\_\_\_\_ .

2. Which of these characterizes a poorly written paragraph?

- a. exciting language
- b. many errors
- c. no main idea
- d. funny

3. What characterizes a good song? List three characteristics.

- a. \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. \_\_\_\_\_.
- c. \_\_\_\_\_.

**Day 4 Thursday**      **property**

**property (noun)**      **-a distinctive physical characteristic of something; a common quality of all things belonging to a particular group**  
**One property of oxygen is that it has no smell.**

1. Complete the sentence. You need to write out the entire sentence, not just the part you added.

Some of the properties of modeling clay are \_\_\_\_\_ .

2. Which of these things are properties of sugar?

- a. forms as crystals
- b. dissolves in liquid
- c. tastes bitter
- d. Wet

3. Which word is a symbol for the word property?

- a. characteristic
- b. property
- c. chemical

d. difference

**Day 5 Friday    trait    characteristic    character    characteristic    property**

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**Mini Quiz**

Take the mini quiz and then turn in your warm ups for the week.

1. Which sentence uses the word trait correctly?
  - A. A common trait of cats is curiosity.
  - B. A good friend has the trait of a nice home.
  - C. One trait of nurses is that they go to college.
  - D. The rock has the trait of being shiny.
  
2. Which of the following is not a common characteristic of a typical scientist?
  - A. intelligent
  - B. curious
  - C. careless
  - D. careful
  
3. Which sentence does not use the word character correctly?
  - A. A mother should have a kind and patient character.
  - B. One character of a guide dog is that it obeys its master.
  - C. The movie star's rude, unfriendly character won him no friends.
  - D. The room had a warm, inviting character.
  
4. Which sentence describes a property?
  - A. A property is an animal trait.
  - B. A property describes the character of something.
  - C. A property is always true and does not change.
  - D. A property describes a person's personality.