

# Buddies Week #7: Creating characters

This week, you'll think about stories with your Buddy, and you'll begin to tell some stories of your own. Together you'll...

1. Tell a **one word story** with your Buddy
2. Discuss your **favourite characters** from stories you know
3. **Create your own characters** with your Buddy
4. Draw a **picture of your character** before next week's call

The next three Buddies calls - weeks 7, 8 & 9 - will help you and your Buddy to write a short story together. In order to write a whole story, you'll need to complete all of the calls and activities in order. Once you've finished planning your story using the activities, you can write it up in this **book** and share it with your friends and family. Do share it with us at InCommon too - [hello@incommonliving.com](mailto:hello@incommonliving.com). Good luck! We can't wait to see what you come up with!





# One word story

You're going to make up a story with your Buddy - but there's a twist! You're going to take it in turns to build up the story, each adding just one word at a time.

Don't worry too much about which words to choose - just pick the ones that first pop into your head, and before you know it you'll be creating an incredible tale together on the spot!





## Our favourite characters

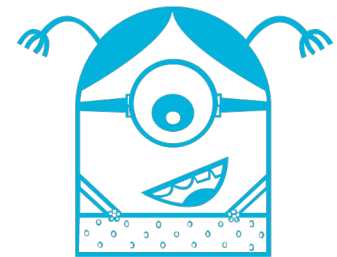
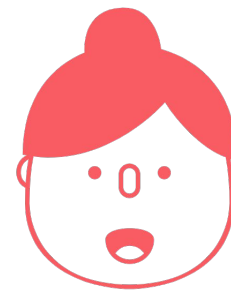
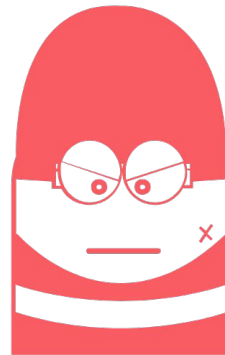
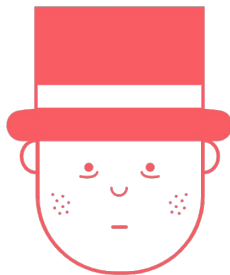
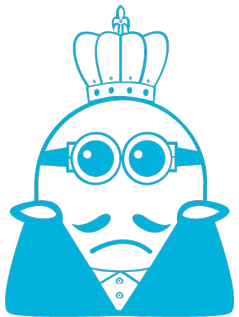
Think about a story you know - it could be a story from one of your favourite books or television programmes. Can you tell your Buddy about one of your favourite characters from the story?

**Who is the character? What story are they from?**

**What does the character look like?**

**What does the character do in their story?**

**What do you like about the character?**



Almost all good stories start with great characters. Now it's time for you and your Buddy to create some characters of your own...



## Creating characters

Now it's time for you and your Buddy to come up with some characters for your own story. It's up to you to decide who they are and what they are like! This page is for your character - the next one is for your Buddy's...

Character name:

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What kind of creature  
is your character?

What is something that your character is good at?

What is your character's most treasured possession?

What is your character scared of?

Where does your character live?

What kind of things does your character do on a normal day?



## Creating characters

Help your Buddy to come up with a character and write down what their character is like on this page...

Your Buddy's  
character name:

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What kind of creature  
is your Buddy's  
character?

What is something that your Buddy's character is good at?

What is your Buddy's character's most treasured  
possession?

What is your Buddy's character scared of?

Where does your Buddy's character live?

What kind of things does your Buddy's character do on a normal day?



It's time to finish today's call. How did it go? Take a screenshot of everyone on your call – [tweet us](#) or [share on Facebook](#) at @incommonlondon, or send it to [hello@incommonliving.com](mailto:hello@incommonliving.com)!

**If you have time between now and your next Buddies call...**



**Draw a picture of your characters**

Draw a picture of the two characters that you and your Buddy came up with on your call on page 3 of [this book](#). This is part of your final storybook so get creative and let your imagination run wild!