

Character Flaw List

These are the most common character flaws for protagonists:

- Lack of self-confidence
- Lack of self-worth, low self-esteem, insecurity
- Naïveté
- Inability to put the past behind
- Inability to face the past
- Inability to trust others
- Inability to make a commitment
- Stubbornness
- Rashness

Here are some more flaws that work better for less sympathetic characters, such as antagonists:

- Prejudice
- Selfishness
- Envy
- Arrogance, smugness, hubris, pride
- Greed
- Gluttony
- Sloth

Comprehensive Character Attribute Form

Type of character (protagonist, antagonist, etc.): _____

Character's name: _____

Goal: _____

Flaw: _____

Age: _____

Sex: _____

Height: _____

Weight: _____

Race: _____

Hair color: _____

Eyes: _____

Grooming: _____

Clothing: _____

Health issues: _____

Physical abilities: _____

Speech (accent): _____

Parents: _____

Siblings: _____

Friends: _____

Best friend (or person closest to): _____

Least favorite people: _____

Enemies: _____

Pets: _____

Residence: _____

Neighborhood: _____

Cultural background: _____

Religion (and attitudes about religion): _____

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Memberships: _____

Schooling: _____

Attitude toward school: _____

Popularity: _____

Mentors: _____

Heroes: _____

Favorite sports: _____

Work experience: _____

Hobbies: _____

Likes and dislikes (music, movies, TV, books, etc.): _____

Fears: _____

Dreams: _____

Life goals (in 5, 10, 30 years): _____

Nervous habits: _____

Foibles: _____

Reasoning style: _____

How would your character's friends describe her or him? _____

Is your character shy or bold? _____

Is your character talkative or taciturn? _____

What most irritates, embarrasses, or bores your character? _____

How would your character complete the sentence "My life is _____"?

Other things I thought of while filling out this form: