**Your favorite character?**

**Personal Introduction**

**My Approach to My Characters:**

**NO**

**YES**

*Not to know what they do & say, but why they do it and say it.*

*Not to “like” them, but to understand and experience them.*

**Option: Random Generators!**

https://www.seventhsanctum.com/index.php

**My philosophy:**

**How I do that! – The rest of the session…**

**TranceFormational Storytelling**:

**Learning About Your Characters**

**External**

**Description of Appearance.**

**If it supports the “trance” – NOT BREAK THE TRANCE!**

**Language/Dialect**

**Aside: Dialog:**

**My character’s dialogue and behavior should tell what you need to know!**

**Internal**…

Personality Type:

<https://16personalities.com>

<https://www.truity.com/test/type-finder-personality-test-new>

Personal Beliefs.

Human Value.

Right/Wrong.

Religious/Faith.

Life/Death.

**ACTIVITY**: A sentence.

Personal Relationships:

Family relationships?

“Friends”?

Romance/Sexuality?

**ACTIVITY**: A sentence.

Personal Strengths:

Leadership?

Lying?

Business?

Compassion or lack of?

**ACTIVITY**: A sentence.

 Personal Weaknesses:

Psychic: need for affirmation?

Physical/Medical.

Addictions?

**ACTIVITY**: A sentence.

Personal Wants:

Power/Wealth?

Revenge?

**ACTIVITY**: A sentence.

Personal Fears:

Past pains.

Being found out?

A person or situation?

Failure?

**ACTIVITY**: A sentence.

What do they know?

**ACTIVITY**: A sentence.

What do they not know?

**ACTIVITY**: A sentence.

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**Some writers create and keep full background records.**

**My Short List:**

**Getting to Know Your Characters:**

**Your view of your characters: John’s Character Laws!**

***YOU Treat them as ‘Real’.***

***Allow the reader to experience the characters…***

***Let the reader discover as the story unfolds…don’t tell them.***

***We must do that first!***

**ACTIVITIES: Respond as your character!**

**TranceFormational Storytelling!**

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