

How Does Setting Affect a Character?

How does the setting affect the story's characters?

- The setting, or where and when the story takes place, affects the characters.
- The setting shows what situation the characters are in. It shows what the characters may be doing.

For example:

If the setting is at a fair, the characters are going to be eating cotton candy, playing games, and going on rides.

- What if the setting is at the library? How will the setting affect the characters?

Setting affects characters

Setting can also affect the traits of characters. Characters are going to say and do different things in different places and times.

For example:

- Someone from the 1950's would speak and act very differently compared to someone in 2014.

How do you answer a question on how setting affects the characters?

1. Figure out the setting.
2. Think about the TIME. What might the characters be doing at this time?
3. Think about the PLACE. What might the characters be doing at this place?

Your turn.

- How does setting affect the characters of the selection that we are reading?