

AN UNLIKELY CHARACTER



In *Shivers!: The Pirate Who's Afraid of Everything*, the main character is the scaredy-est pirate ever to sail the Seven Seas. Pirates are supposed to be brave, but Shivers is not. That makes him an unlikely character. Below are ideas to help you think of an unlikely main character for your next story!



Where does your story take place?
How would you describe the setting?

List three normal activities a character might do in this setting.

1) _____
2) _____
3) _____

Name your character!

Describe your character. What does he or she look like?
How does he or she act?

How is your character different than everyone else in the story?
What does your character do that makes him or her stand out?

Pick one normal activity from your list above. Describe why your character is terrible at this activity.
What does your character do wrong? What does it look like?

Standards that can help students meet: Common Core State Standards (Writing): W.3.3.A., W.3.3.B., W.4.3.A., W.4.3.B., W.4.3.D., W.5.3.A., W.5.3.B., W.5.3.D., W.6.3.A., W.6.3.B., W.6.3.D.

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