

The Scarlet Letter

Chapter 3
Handout 1

Name _____

Date _____ Hour _____

Character

Characterization is the method used by a writer to develop how the character looks, acts, and thinks. The first section of the novel introduces all four of the major characters. This activity helps you see the techniques that authors use to make believable characters.

Directions: Note the main qualities of each character. Under each name, write four words or phrases that describe that character, based on Hawthorne's characterization.

Hester Prynne	Arthur Dimmesdale
<i>Example: brave</i> 1.	1.
2.	2.
3.	3.
4.	4.
Roger Chillingworth	Pearl
1.	1.
2.	2.
3.	3.
4.	4.