

## Introduction: Meet the Crew! (10 mins)

Ahoy! You love the grand adventures in One Piece, right? What makes characters like Luffy, Zoro, Nami, or even villains like Crocodile so interesting? It's not just their cool powers or looks, but their \*personalities\* – how they think, act, and what drives them. In reading, we call these features 'character traits'. Today, we're going on a voyage to analyze the traits of your favorite One Piece characters, just like Language Arts adventurers analyze characters in books!

**Discussion:** Who is your favorite One Piece character right now? What's one word you'd use to describe their personality?

## Activity Part 1: What Are Character Traits? (15 mins)

Character traits are the qualities that make up a character's personality. They are usually consistent over time, unlike feelings which can change quickly. Traits tell us \*who\* a character is on the inside.

Examples of traits: Brave, Loyal, Greedy, Intelligent, Naive, Determined, Kind, Reserved, Ambitious, Lazy.

How do we find them? We look for clues in the story:

- **Speech:** What does the character say? How do they say it?
- **Thoughts:** What is the character thinking or feeling (if the story tells us)?
- **Effect on others:** How do other characters react to this character?
- **Actions:** What does the character do? How do they behave?
- **Looks:** Sometimes appearance can hint at personality, but focus more on actions/words! (We call this the 'STEAL' method for remembering.)

Let's practice: Think about Luffy. What's something he often \*does\*? (Example: Eats a lot, rushes into fights, protects his friends). What trait does that action show? (Example: Gluttonous, Impulsive, Loyal/Brave).

## Activity Part 2: Character Deep Dive! (25 mins)

Time for your mission! Choose one character from One Piece (hero or villain - your choice!). Your goal is to identify three specific character traits for them.

### Instructions:

1. Choose your character.
2. Use your knowledge of the story (or look up reminders on a trusted site/wiki) to think about their personality.
3. Identify three strong character traits. Write them down.
4. For \*each\* trait, find at least one specific example from One Piece that shows this trait. This could be:
  - Something they said (dialogue).
  - Something they did (an action or decision).
  - How they handled a specific situation.
  - How other characters describe them or react to them.
5. Write down the trait and the evidence/example next to it.
6. Think: How does this trait affect the character's journey or the story? For example, how does Zoro's determination help the Straw Hats? How does Nami's intelligence save them?

## Sharing & Discussion (10 mins)

Let's share your findings! Tell me about the character you chose.

- What three traits did you identify?
- What evidence did you find for each trait?
- How do these traits make the character important to the story?

Discussing character traits helps us understand stories much more deeply. You can use this skill when reading any book, graphic novel, or even watching movies!

## Wrap-up: Treasure Unlocked! (5 mins)

Great job, adventurer! You successfully navigated the seas of character analysis. Understanding character traits helps us connect with stories, predict what characters might do next, and appreciate how authors create such memorable figures, whether it's in One Piece or any other amazing tale. Keep practicing this skill as you read!