Curriculum Unit Title	*Building Character Through Character*	Author	Amy Albright

KEY LEARNING, ENDURING UNDERSTANDING, ETC.

Characters contribute to a sequence of events through their traits, motivations, and/or feelings.

Character traits affect a student's own life and interactions and students should be conscious of those traits in literature and real life.

ESSENTIAL QUESTION(S) for the UNIT

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Defining	Identification	Narrative Writing

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VOCABULARY A	VOCABULARY A	VOCABULARY A
Trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, citizenship, caring, fairness		Narrative, introduction, conclusion, dialogue

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/MATERIAL/TEXT/FILM/RESOURCES

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