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GOOD GUYS AND BAD

Many novels features **heroes** (good guys) and **villains** (bad guys). What are your thoughts on these two classic character types? Meet with a partner to discuss.

	Heroes	Villains
Character Traits What should these types of characters be like?		
Role in Novels Why do authors write stories with these types of characters?		
Examples Give two examples of these types of characters. 	<i>Example of a hero:</i> <i>From:</i> <i>Why this character is heroic:</i>	<i>Example of a villain:</i> <i>From:</i> <i>Why this character is villainous:</i>
	<i>Example of a hero:</i> <i>From:</i> <i>Why this character is heroic:</i>	<i>Example of a villain:</i> <i>From:</i> <i>Why this character is villainous:</i>

Discuss this question with your partner: *Does a book need heroes and villains to be interesting?* On the lines below, write a short summary of your discussion.

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OVERCOMING OBSTACLES

Many books in the children's literature genre contain the theme of overcoming obstacles. The main character must face a difficult situation, and he or she must find ways to overcome it.

Think of two obstacles or struggles that the main character must face. Write them in the boxes. In the spaces over the boxes, explain how the character overcame each obstacle.

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Name of Novel: _____ Name of Character: _____

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How did
this character
overcome this
obstacle?

Obstacle #1

How did
this character
overcome this
obstacle?

Obstacle #2