

Journal Prompt: Whose Story Is It?

Two readers can finish the same book and walk away with completely different takes on a character.

Pick a character from a novel, film or show you've experienced recently. Analyze how that character's choices and motives give you insight into people you know, including yourself, tied to outcome [Outcome](#).

Where to start:

- What decision does this character make that surprised you or felt inevitable?
- What might explain that choice: fear, loyalty, pride, something else?
- Have you seen someone in real life (maybe even you) act on a similar motive?
- Does the character's behaviour stay consistent, or do they change in a way you find believable?

Stretch:

Find someone who has also experienced this text and compare interpretations. Where do your readings agree, and where do they split based on what each of you brought to it?