

Chapter 1 - Meet the Characters

In chapter 1, we met three of our main characters: Moog, Rockford and the Cocklebur Ick. In this activity we will take a deeper look into those characters.

You will need:

- Lost on Infinity Chapter 1
- Meet the Characters Worksheet

Learning Objectives

- Use comprehension skills
- Understand adjectives used to describe characters
- Understand characters
- Use communication skills to support arguments

Curriculum Links

- English: Writing (Composition, Spelling, Punctuation), Reading (Comprehension and Understanding).
- Art and Design: Drawing and Design.

Step-by-Step Guide

1. Listen to Chapter 1 of Rockford's Rock Opera with your class. You can do this before the class (*about 13 mins*).

2. As a class, discuss what you think are three key events in Chapter One. There are no right or wrong answers to this but some of the answers could be: Rockford and Moog go to the park with his uncle, Rockford meets the Cocklebur Ick, the Cocklebur Ick tells her story or Rockford and Ick find themselves on a boat shaped like a leaf. **Prompt your class to write down what they think are the three key events on their worksheet.**

3. Ask your class to each choose one of our three main characters to focus on for the next part of the exercise. They should write their character's name on their worksheet.

4. Before your class begins their character study, you may find it useful to go over the four questions with your class. You might discuss: what adjectives are, attributes which might be considered personality traits or if we know all the information about the characters yet.

5. Ask your class to fill in the worksheet. We may not have been told all of the information in Chapter One but not knowing, speculating and discovering is all part of the fun.

6. Split your class into pairs and ask them to discuss their answers.

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In Chapter One of Rockford's Rock Opera we met three of our main characters and set the scene for our story. Our three main characters are Moog, Rockford and the Cocklebur Ick.

Can you remember three key events that happened in Chapter one of our story?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Choose one of our three main characters to look at...

The character I have chosen is: _____

What adjectives are used to describe your character?	Can you think of a personality trait your character has?
Do you know where your character lives?	What are you looking forward to finding out about your character?

Draw your character here...