

Create a character challenge

Top tips for creating a character

Here are some top tips for creating a character from Jamie Johnson author Dan Freedman.

“The way I start to create a character – and I did this with Jamie Johnson – is to ask yourself some questions about them. That might be a great way to take part in this challenge. To help create your character, you could ask yourself some, or even all, of these questions.

- What is their name and what do they look like?
- Do they have a big secret to hide, or a dream that they want to achieve? What is it?
- Is there something holding them back? What is that?
- Do they have a favourite food?
- Who do they look up to?

If you get stuck, think about some interesting people you’ve met in your life. Perhaps your character could share some of their features, backgrounds or mannerisms.”

For a chance to ask Dan Freedman a question about writing, creating characters and Jamie Johnson, join in our live interview with Dan and TV presenter Ben Shires at the National Literacy Trust’s website:

literacytrust.org.uk/family-zone/9-12/dan-freedman-football-challenge.

Don’t forget – the live event takes place at **11:30** on **Tuesday 2 June 2020**.

Once you have thought of your character, use the **Creating a character challenge template** – or your own piece of paper – and share it with us and the National Literacy Trust on Twitter via **@PLCommunities** and **@Literacy_Trust** using **#PLPrimaryStars** or email **PLPrimaryStars@premierleague.com**.

By sharing your character ideas you could be our Star of the Week be in our community story or be featured on PremierLeague.com!

