

Developing a Theme

What is EconJourney?

“We often learn through the use of story and telling a good narrative is often the key to success. With EconJourney, you will construct a narrative and learn some economics in the process.”

Character Description

In the three boxes below, plan out your character. Think about things that make your character special, what they can use to overcome adversity, their personality, and strengths & weaknesses. Be creative!

Identify Something that is Scarce:

What Problems are Created by this Issue of Scarcity?

What Could Eliminate these Problems?

What Could Make them Worse?

Special Abilities:

Ex: leadership

Personality Traits:

Ex: optimistic, caring

Strengths & Weaknesses:

Ex: intelligent but shy

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Plot Line Sketch

Using your theme surrounding scarcity, start to plan your story. Don't worry about details yet – simply outline your ideas for your story. Start to get creative – the more abstract and interesting, the better!

Story Development

Keeping your scarce situation in mind, what is the main crisis that your character faces? Maybe your character has overcome smaller issues surrounding scarcity in the past, but now a bigger issue hits. Using your character description and traits previously outlined, how are they planning to deal with their situation?

Introduction

Introduce the problem your character has faced due to the issue of scarcity. How have they identified this problem in their life? Do they have any ideas on how they can overcome this problem or do they feel hopeless?

Conclusion

Did your character overcome the crisis? How did they do it and what do they plan to do in the future to avoid this from happening again? How has your character developed over the course of the story? Have they obtained any new abilities or recognized new weaknesses they plan to work on?

