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Warbreaker Watson-Guptill
From #1 New York Times bestselling author Brandon

Sanderson, Warbreaker is the story of two sisters, who happen to be princesses, the God King one of them has to marry, the lesser god who doesn't like his job, and the immortal who's still trying to undo the mistakes he made

hundreds of years ago. Their world is one in which those who die in glory return as gods to live confined to a pantheon in Hallandren's capital city and where a power known as BioChromatic magic is based on an essence known as breath that can only be collected one unit at a time from individual people. By using breath and drawing upon the color in everyday objects, all manner of miracles and mischief can be accomplished. It will take considerable quantities of each to resolve all the challenges facing Vivenna and Siri, princesses of Idris; Susebron the God King; Lightsong, reluctant god of bravery, and mysterious Vasher, the Warbreaker. Other Tor

books by Brandon Sanderson
 The Cosmere
 The Stormlight Archive
 The Way of Kings
 Words of Radiance
 Edgedancer (Novella)
 Oathbringer
 The Mistborn trilogy
 Mistborn: The Final Empire
 The Well of Ascension
 The Hero of Ages
 Mistborn: The Wax and Wayne series
 Alloy of Law
 Shadows of Self
 Bands of Mourning
 Collection Arcanum Unbounded
 Other Cosmere novels
 Elantris
 Warbreaker
 The Alcatraz vs. the Evil Librarians series
 Alcatraz vs. the Evil Librarians
 The Scrivener's Bones
 The Knights of Crystallia
 The Shattered Lens
 The Dark Talent
 The Rithmatist series
 The Rithmatist
 Other books by Brandon Sanderson
 The Reckoners
 Steelheart
 Firefight

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The Science of Writing Characters Penguin Building a Character is one of the three volumes that make up Stanislavski's *The Acting Trilogy*. *An Actor Prepares* explores the inner preparation an actor must undergo in order to explore a role to the full. In this volume, Sir John Gielgud said, this great director "found time to explain a thousand things that have always troubled actors and fascinated students." *Building a Character* discusses the external techniques of acting: the use of the body, movement, diction, singing, expression,

and control. *Creating a Role* describes the preparation that precedes actual performance, with extensive discussions of Gogol's *The Inspector General* and Shakespeare's *Othello*. Sir Paul Scofield called *Creating a Role* "immeasurably important" for the actor. These three volumes belong on any actor's short shelf of essential books.

Creating Characters with Personality Cambridge University Press

THINGS FALL APART tells two overlapping, intertwining stories, both of which center around Okonkwo, a "strong man" of an Ibo village in Nigeria. The first of these stories traces Okonkwo's fall from grace with the tribal world in which he

lives, and in its classical purity of line and economical beauty it provides us with a powerful fable about the immemorial conflict between the individual and society. The second story, which is as modern as the first is ancient, and which elevates the book to a tragic plane, concerns the clash of cultures and the destruction of Okonkwo's world through the arrival of aggressive, proselytizing European missionaries. These twin dramas are perfectly harmonized, and they are modulated by an awareness capable of encompassing at once the life of nature, human history, and the mysterious compulsions of the soul. THINGS FALL

APART is the most illuminating and permanent monument we have to the modern African experience as seen from within.

Cartoon Cute Animals

Penguin

Create characters that leap off the page--and into readers' hearts! Populating your fiction with authentic, vivid characters is a surefire way to captivate your readers from the first sentence to the last. Whether you're writing a series, novel, short story, or flash fiction, *Creating Characters* is an invaluable guide to bringing your fictional cast to life. This book is a comprehensive reference to every stage of character development. You'll find timely advice and helpful instruction from best-selling authors like Nancy Kress,

Elizabeth Sims, Orson Scott Card, Chuck Wendig, Hallie Ephron, Donald Maass, and James Scott Bell. They'll show you how to:

- Effectively introduce your characters
- Build a believable protagonist
- Develop strong anti-heroes and compelling villains
- Juggle multiple points of view without missing a beat
- Craft authentic dialogue that propels the story forward
- Motivate your characters with powerful objectives and a believable conflict
- Show dynamic character development over the course of a story

No matter what your genre, *Creating Characters* gives you the tools necessary to create realistic, fascinating characters

that your readers will root for and remember long after they've finished the story.

Creating Characters
Tor Books

In this book, Linda Seger shows how to create strong, multidimensional characters in fiction, covering everything from research to character block. Interviews with today's top writers complete this essential volume.

Personality, Identity, and Character
Fox Chapel Publishing

A new take on Quarry's successful Draw 62 series, *Draw 62 Characters and Make Them Happy* features the humorous work of artist Terry Runyan, presenting step-by-step how-to for each subject.

The Negative Trait Thesaurus: A Writer's

Guide to Character Flaws JADD Publishing Exploring Movie Construction & Production contains eight chapters of the major areas of film construction and production. The discussion covers theme, genre, narrative structure, character portrayal, story, plot, directing style, cinematography, and editing. Important terminology is defined and types of analysis are discussed and demonstrated. An extended example of how a movie description reflects the setting, narrative structure, or directing style is used throughout the book to illustrate building blocks of each theme. This approach to film instruction and analysis has proved

beneficial to increasing students' learning, while enhancing the creativity and critical thinking of the student.

Grit Mark Boutros "The most complete and comprehensive guide to character I've ever read." Adam Croft Character is at the heart of every story. We love stories because we fall in love with characters, we want to see what happens to them and we want to see them experience hope and despair. International Emmy nominated writer, Mark Boutros, offers a guide to creating characters who are engaging, emotionally driven and memorable. With experience as a screenwriter, novelist, creative writing teacher and mentor, Mark shares a mixture

of theory and creative writing exercises to get you thinking about the questions to have in your mind during character creation. A lot of stories are perfectly functional, hitting all the right beats, but often fall short due to a thin or obvious character. Problems people think are related to plot are often symptoms of a deeper issue with the characters. Mark highlights what is at the core of character, the importance of motivation, trauma, obstacles and how every little detail can enrich an experience for an audience and ultimately make people care. How do you get to know people? By asking questions and getting to know them so you move past the shallow. Do the same

during character development and your story will be so much more engaging for it. Each chapter focuses on an aspect important to character development and ends with exercises so you can apply the concepts to your work and write better characters. The book includes: - Goals, desires, lessons - Stakes to your character's goal - Character flaws - Developing your character's voice and world view - Generating truthful obstacles - How to write anti-heroes and compelling villains - Character and personality traits - Common mistakes in character writing - Character research - A character questionnaire The majority of the ideas

originate from the author's screenwriting experience, but they apply to all forms of story, whether it be fiction writing or playwriting, because the focus is on what really makes a character stand out and memorable. The job of the writer is to deliver an emotional experience. Character is the heart of that. If you're looking for a book to help you to improve your screenplay writing, fiction writing, or play writing then this is for you. An invaluable tool for beginner and experienced writers. This is perfect for anyone interested in screenwriting books, fiction writing books, or character development books. Praise for *The Craft of Character*: "Would 100%

recommend not only for beginners, but also for experienced writers looking to get to know their characters better. A bit like writer-character therapy." reader review "Both the chapters and the exercises are easy to understand and get through. Mark Boutros clearly knows his stuff and seems happy to be able to help the reader, rather than becoming lecturing and elitist. The structure of the book also means that it is easy to dip back into, when you come across a specific problem, and as such it is a great little reference book, which any aspiring storyteller would benefit from." reader review "Normally, I find myself arguing with the author of craft books, but here I would say 90% of

what I read were things I either found helpful, or flat out agreed with whole heartedly and just needed a reminder on why these things are important. The exercises were a excellent touch, especially as someone who is teaching writing, it gave me ideas on what to do for my students.” reader review

The Book Thief Anchor Canada

Create compelling, original characters using archetypes and design elements such as shadows and line with the tips and techniques found in this image-packed book. Bryan Tillman bridges the gap between the technique of drawing characters and the theory of good character design by using case studies,

examples of professional art, and literary and pop culture references to teach you how to develop a character, not just draw one. The book also features Character Model Sheets that will guide you through the creation of new and unique characters. Finally, Bryan will break down established character archetypes to show you why and how the different aspects of good character design work. The content on the book is based on Bryan's popular 2009 Comic-Con course on 'Character Design'. Learn what makes a character unique and powerful by using shapes, shadows, and form - this title includes 'character model sheets' so you can put it all together

yourself, as well as case studies from established artists. It bridges the gap between the technique of drawing characters and the theory of good character design in a practical, hands-on way - learn how to use story and archetypes to develop compelling, new characters. Based on a standing-room only presentation at Comic-Con 2009 in San Diego, it features the artwork of a collection of professional artists as examples to the techniques shown in the book.

Creating Character

Arcs Routledge

In this instant New York Times bestseller, Angela Duckworth shows anyone striving to succeed that the secret to outstanding achievement is not talent, but a special

blend of passion and persistence she calls "grit." "Inspiration for non-geniuses everywhere" (People). The daughter of a scientist who frequently noted her lack of "genius," Angela Duckworth is now a celebrated researcher and professor. It was her early eye-opening stints in teaching, business consulting, and neuroscience that led to her hypothesis about what really drives success: not genius, but a unique combination of passion and long-term perseverance. In *Grit*, she takes us into the field to visit cadets struggling through their first days at West Point, teachers working in some of the toughest schools, and young finalists in the

National Spelling Bee. She also mines fascinating insights from history and shows what can be gleaned from modern experiments in peak performance. Finally, she shares what she's learned from interviewing dozens of high achievers—from JP Morgan CEO Jamie Dimon to New Yorker cartoon editor Bob Mankoff to Seattle Seahawks Coach Pete Carroll. "Duckworth's ideas about the cultivation of tenacity have clearly changed some lives for the better" (The New York Times Book Review). Among Grit's most valuable insights: any effort you make ultimately counts twice toward your goal; grit can be learned, regardless of IQ or circumstances; when it

comes to child-rearing, neither a warm embrace nor high standards will work by themselves; how to trigger lifelong interest; the magic of the Hard Thing Rule; and so much more. Winningly personal, insightful, and even life-changing, Grit is a book about what goes through your head when you fall down, and how that—not talent or luck—makes all the difference. This is "a fascinating tour of the psychological research on success" (The Wall Street Journal).

Building A Character Penguin

Games are poised for a major evolution, driven by growth in technical sophistication and audience reach. Characters that create powerful social and

emotional connections with players throughout the game-play itself (not just in cut scenes) will be essential to next-generation games. However, the principles of sophisticated character design and interaction are not widely understood within the game development community. Further complicating the situation are powerful gender and cultural issues that can influence perception of characters. Katherine Isbister has spent the last 10 years examining what makes interactions with computer characters useful and engaging to different audiences. This work has revealed that the key to good design is leveraging player psychology:

understanding what's memorable, exciting, and useful to a person about real-life social interactions, and applying those insights to character design. Game designers who create great characters often make use of these psychological principles without realizing it. *Better Game Characters by Design* gives game design professionals and other interactive media designers a framework for understanding how social roles and perceptions affect players' reactions to characters, helping produce stronger designs and better results. *Writer's Guide to Character Traits* Open SUNY Textbooks The Alpine Path, The Story of My Career is

the autobiography of Lucy Maud Montgomery. Originally published as a series of autobiographical essays in the Toronto magazine, *Everywoman's World*, from June to November in 1917. A charming read about her childhood with all the dreams and imaginings from her youth. Followed by her inspirational road to literary success. *Draw With Jazza - Creating Characters* Knopf Books for Young Readers From Snow White to Shrek, from Fred Flintstone to SpongeBob SquarePants, the design of a character conveys personality before a single word of dialogue is spoken. *Designing Characters with Personality* shows

artists how to create a distinctive character, then place that character in context within a script, establish hierarchy, and maximize the impact of pose and expression. Practical exercises help readers put everything together to make their new characters sparkle. Lessons from the author, who designed the dragon Mushu (voiced by Eddie Murphy) in Disney's *Mulan*—plus big-name experts in film, TV, video games, and graphic novels—make a complex subject accessible to every artist.

Creating Unforgettable Characters Atlas Black Publishing
Imagine, Design and Draw Your Own Characters! Draw With

Jazza YouTube star Josiah Brooks breaks down an easy-to-follow method that will help you to invent and draw original characters time and time again. Whether sci-fi or steampunk, comic book heroines or tattooed action heroes, animal familiars or alien races, you will discover the limitless possibilities of creating your very own characters for comic books, cartoons, video games and more! No matter what your skill level, you can draw from concept to finished art with confidence. Jazza shows you how as he walks you through The Design Process! • Discover. Learn techniques just like the pros use for developing characters--their backstory, personality

and physicality; decide your drawing style; and explore and organize your inspiration. • Design. Use brainstorm sketching to refine your character's persona. Use simplified lines and shapes to draw men and women, practice poses and play with body shapes, sizes, ages and outfits. • Develop. Refine your best ideas by choosing features, color schemes, settings and context to reflect your end goal. • Deliver. Finish your concept art with character turnarounds, expression sheets, pose variations and more to create a complete picture of your characters and their world. [Exploring Movie Construction and Production](#) Taylor & Francis

It's a writer's job to create compelling characters who can withstand life's fallout without giving up. But building authentic, memorable heroes is no easy task. To forge realistic characters, we must hobble them with flaws that set them back while giving them positive attributes to help them achieve their goals. So how do writers choose the right blend of strengths for their characters—attributes that will render them admirable and worth rooting for—without making it too easy for them to succeed? Character creation can be hard, but it's about to get a lot easier. Inside The Positive Trait Thesaurus, you'll find: * A large selection of attributes to choose from when building a

personality profile. Each entry lists possible causes for why a trait might emerge, along with associated attitudes, behaviors, thoughts, and emotions * Real character examples from literature, film, or television to show how an attribute drives actions and decisions, influences goals, and steers relationships * Advice on using positive traits to immediately hook readers while avoiding common personality pitfalls * Insight on human needs and morality, and how each determines the strengths that emerge in heroes and villains alike * Information on the key role positive attributes play within the character arc, and how they're vital to overcoming fatal flaws

and achieving success
 * Downloadable tools for organizing a character's attributes and providing a deeper understanding of his past, his needs, and the emotional wounds he must overcome If you find character creation difficult or worry that your cast members all seem the same, The Positive Trait Thesaurus is brimming with ideas to help you develop one-of-a-kind, dynamic characters that readers will love. Extensively indexed, with entries written in a user-friendly list format, this brainstorming resource is perfect for any character creation project.

Carving Small

Characters in Wood

Quarry Books

"This book will teach you step-by-step how

to create virtual worlds, including developing your story, setting up your world, adding and animating characters, incorporating sound, and sharing your world with others. You'll even discover how to add strategy to your worlds so they can be used as interactive stories or games. Written in clear language using hands-on projects and exercises to teach you each new skill, this book is easy to follow at your own individual pace"--Resource description p.

The Anatomy of Prose Nathan

Bransford

Master the Art of Writing Enthralling

Tales for the Youngest

pre-and emerging

readers! Fully updated

and thoroughly

revised, Writing Picture

Books Revised and Expanded Edition is the go-to resource for writers crafting stories for children ages two to eight. You'll learn the unique set of skills it takes to bring your story to life by using tightly focused text and leaving room for the illustrator to be creative. Award-winning author Ann Whitford Paul helps you develop the skills you need by walking you through techniques and exercises specifically for picture book writers. You'll find:

- Instruction on generating ideas, creating characters, point-of-view, beginnings and endings, plotting, word count, rhyme, and more
- Unique methods for using poetic techniques to

- enrich your writing
- Hands-on revision exercises (get out your scissors, tape, and highlighters) to help identify problems and improve your picture book manuscripts
- Updated tips for researching the changing picture book market, approaching publishers, working with an agent, and developing a platform
- All new quizzes and examples from picture books throughout
- New chapters cover issues such as page turns, agents, and self-publishing Whether you're just starting out as a picture book writer or have tried unsuccessfully to get your work published, *Writing Picture Books Revised and Expanded Edition* is just what you need to craft picture books that will appeal

to young children and parents, and agents and editors.

The Craft of Character Helping Writers Become Authors

From the celebrated author of *The English Patient* and *Anil's Ghost* comes a remarkable, intimate novel of intersecting lives that ranges across continents and time. In the 1970s in Northern California a father and his teenage daughters, Anna and Claire, work their farm with the help of Coop, an enigmatic young man who makes his home with them.

Theirs is a makeshift family, until it is shattered by an incident of violence that sets fire to the rest of their lives.

Divisadero takes us from San Francisco to

the raucous backrooms of Nevada's casinos and eventually to the landscape of southern France. As the narrative moves back and forth through time and place, we find each of the characters trying to find some foothold in a present shadowed by the past.

Things Fall Apart
University of Oklahoma Press

With *Design Your Own Anime and Manga Characters*, you'll learn character design for these popular entertainment genres from renowned concept artist and teacher TB Choi.

Constructing a Character. Build a character right from the start with the basics of human anatomy and proportion. *Simplifying Forms for Poses and*

Gestures. Streamline form to develop effective poses and gestures from a variety of angles. Drawing Hair, Clothing, and Accessories. Render authentic details that support your characters and enrich your stories. Conveying Dimension, Emotion, and Character. Refine your use of line, shadow, and form to create visual variety, depth, and emotion. Pets, Chibis, and Sidekicks. Create pets, chibis, anthros, and kemonomimi with personality. Exercise: Design and Draw a Character. Learn a simple method for developing an original character, from mind map to finished drawing. Filled with step-by-step demonstrations and expert guidance and

advice, *Design Your Own Anime and Manga Characters* teaches you everything you need to bring unique characters to life. [Character Mentor](#) Simon and Schuster The #1 New York Times bestseller. Over 4 million copies sold! *Tiny Changes, Remarkable Results* No matter your goals, *Atomic Habits* offers a proven framework for improving--every day. James Clear, one of the world's leading experts on habit formation, reveals practical strategies that will teach you exactly how to form good habits, break bad ones, and master the tiny behaviors that lead to remarkable results. If you're having trouble changing your habits, the problem isn't you. The problem is your

system. Bad habits repeat themselves again and again not because you don't want to change, but because you have the wrong system for change. You do not rise to the level of your goals. You fall to the level of your systems. Here, you'll get a proven system that can take you to new heights. Clear is known for his ability to distill complex topics into simple behaviors that can be easily applied to daily life and work. Here, he draws on the most proven ideas from biology, psychology, and neuroscience to create an easy-to-understand guide for making good habits inevitable and bad habits impossible. Along the way, readers will be inspired and entertained with true

stories from Olympic gold medalists, award-winning artists, business leaders, life-saving physicians, and star comedians who have used the science of small habits to master their craft and vault to the top of their field. Learn how to: make time for new habits (even when life gets crazy); overcome a lack of motivation and willpower; design your environment to make success easier; get back on track when you fall off course; ...and much more. Atomic Habits will reshape the way you think about progress and success, and give you the tools and strategies you need to transform your habits--whether you are a team looking to win a championship, an organization hoping to

redefine an industry, or
simply an individual
who wishes to quit

smoking, lose weight,
reduce stress, or
achieve any other goal.