Literary Concept: Characterization

Characterization refers to the methods writers use to develop characters. Writers may use any of the following methods:

* Description of a character’s physical appearance
* A character’s speech, thoughts, feelings, or actions
* What other characters think and say about this character
* The narrator’s direct comments about a character

Use the chart below to note the characterization methods used in *The Old Man and the Sea.* Focus on the old man at first, finding at least

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| Quote from book  and page # | Method of characterization | What does this tell the reader about the character |
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