



Character Development Worksheet

A Quick Guide for Writers in
Brainstorming & Developing their Characters

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Character Outline Sheet

Name:

Nickname:

Role in story:

Age: Gender:

Class / Occupation:

Personality:

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Height:

Skin tone:

Weight:

Hair color:

Build:

Eye color:

What does the character look like?
What makes them recognisable? Do they have scars? Tattoos?

CHARACTER GOALS

What does your character want? What drives them?

CHARACTER GOALS

What are their short-term goals?

What are their long-term goals?

MOTIVATIONS

Why does your character act the way they do?

RELATIONSHIPS

How does your character relate to others? Consider their family, friends, romantic relationships, and any other significant relationships.

CONFLICTS

What internal or external conflicts are they struggling with?
How do they handle these conflicts?

Character Building

Fill out the worksheet, answering the prompts with the information and ideas for your main character.

Character Name:

List three to five key personality traits that define your character.
Are they brave, introverted, compassionate, impulsive, or something else?

Identify your character's strengths and weaknesses.

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What skills or talents do they possess that set them apart?

BACKGROUND

Religion:

Education:

Bad habits:

Good habits:

Fears:

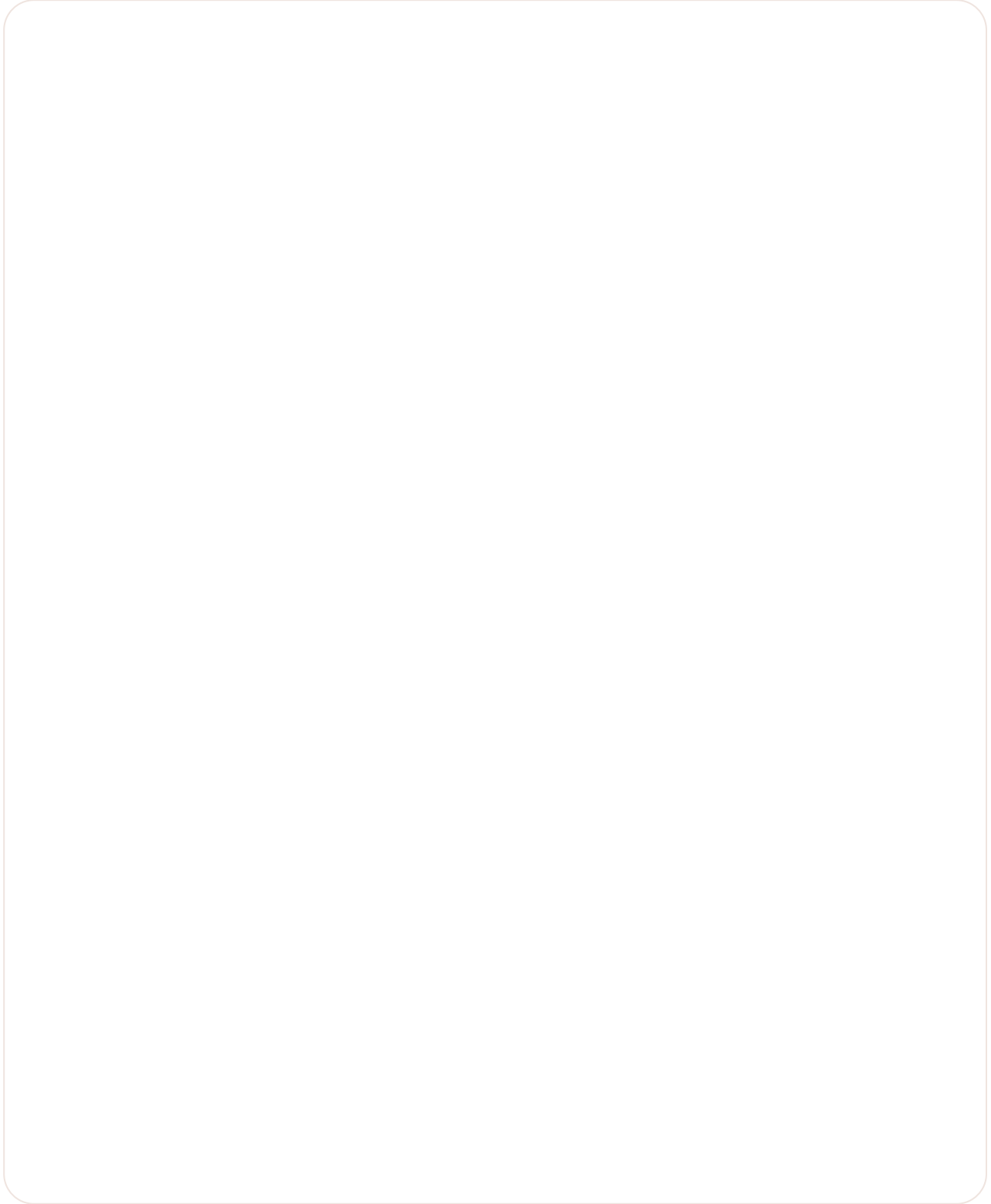
FAMILY HISTORY/FAMILY SECRETS

Birth order?

If they are orphaned? Do they know why? And, if this why is a part of the plot—work out the intricacies of it.
Describe their relationship with their family.

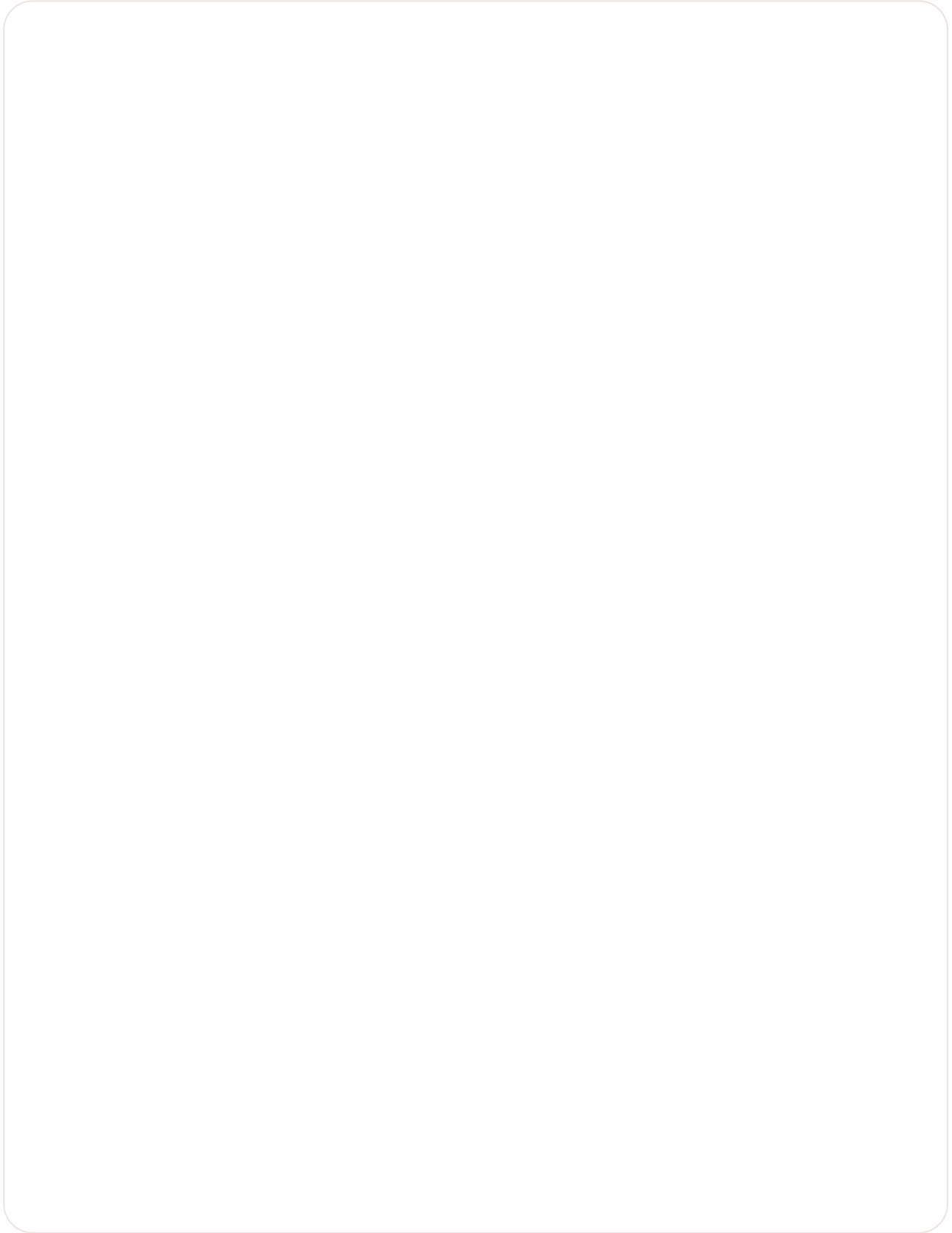
Is there one or several members they are very close to?

Are they estranged from their family? Why?

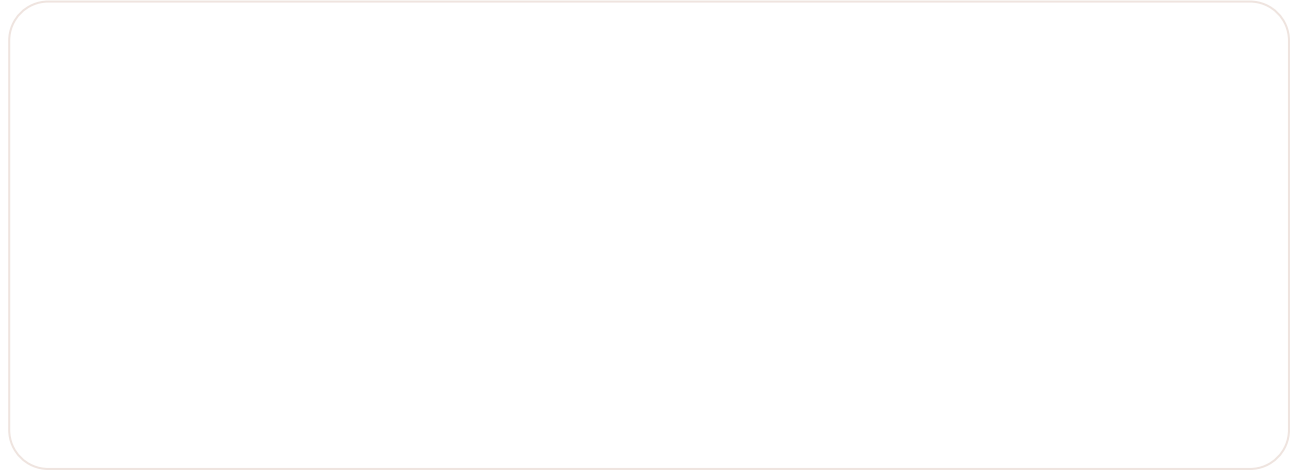


BACK STORY

Craft a tale of the character's origins and past.



What is their work ethic?

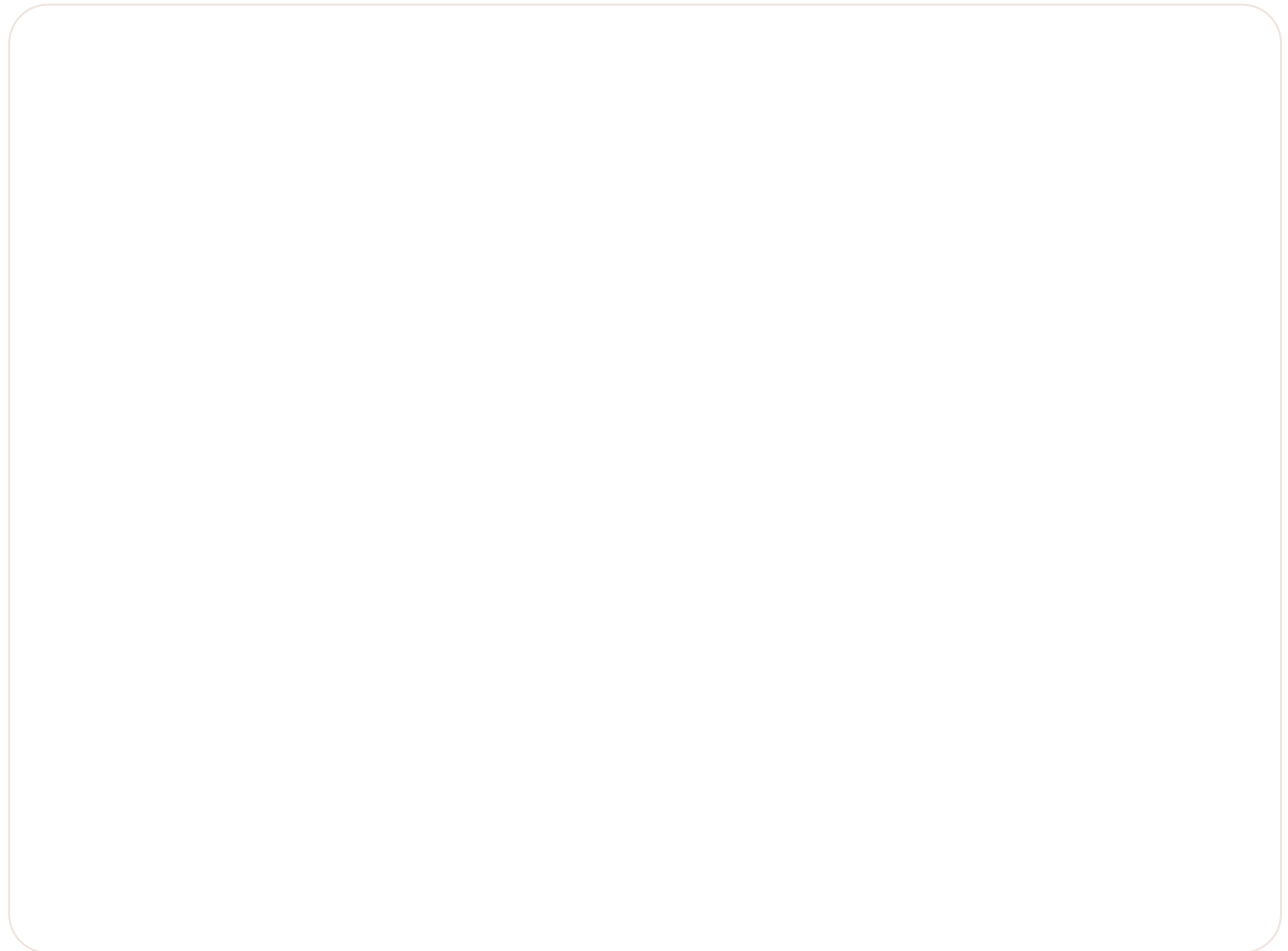


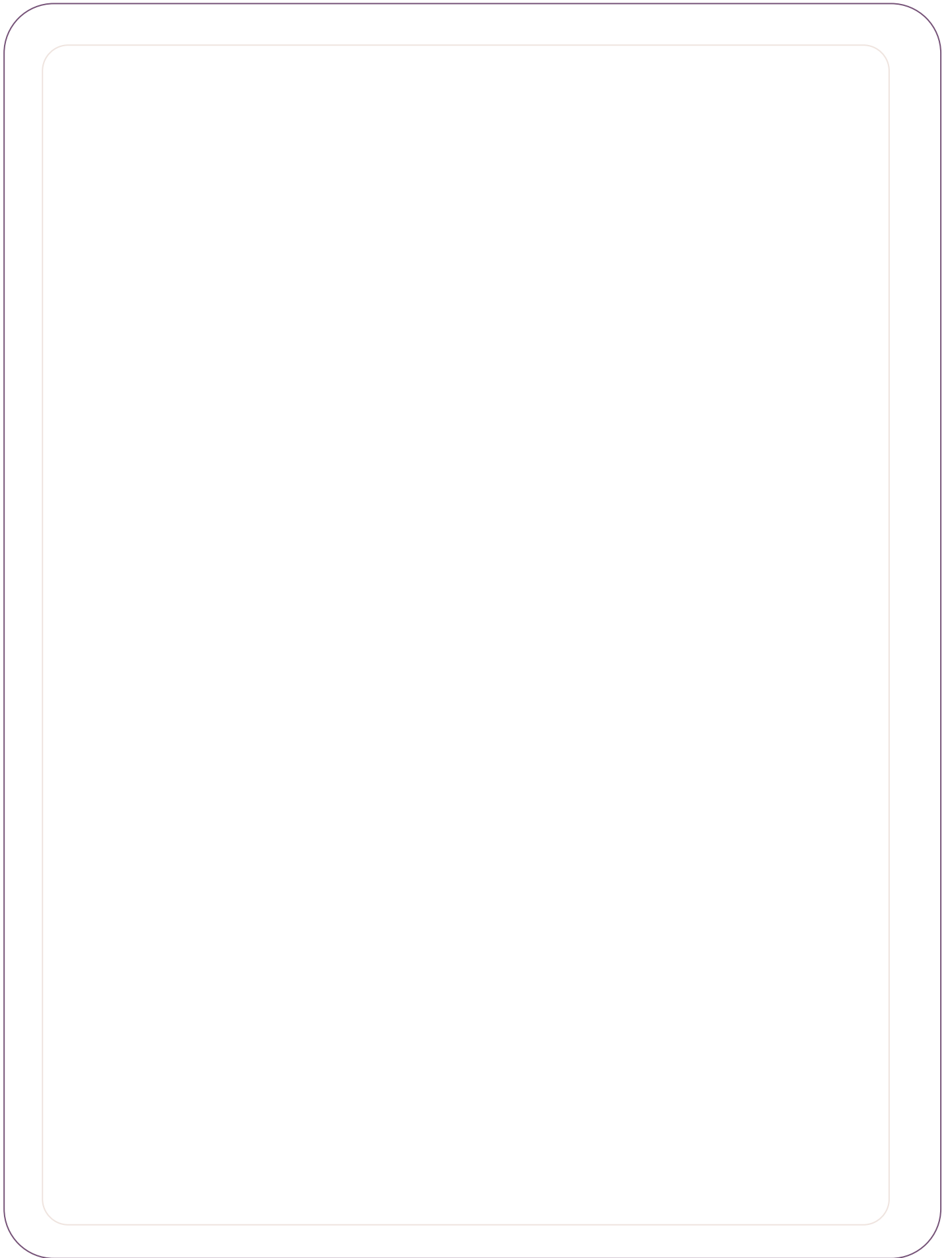
CHARACTER BELIEFS

What is their underlying belief about themselves?

What lies do they tell themselves?

How do they ACT because of these lies and beliefs? Self-sabotage?





Reminder to those crafting their characters....

Keep in mind the characters you create with their dynamic nuances need to be crafted into the story in a way that drives your story forward.

Stay Marvelous.

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