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**Your Task**

* Identify **three character traits** about Kath, Kevin or Helen
* Provide **evidence** that supports your character trait (a quote)
  + Properly integrate and cite your quote!
* Provide an **explanation** of how your evidence shows this character trait.
* Finally, write a **well-developed paragraph** which offers a **character analysis** of Kath, Kevin or Helen in the story “Kath and Mouse".
  + It should follow the ACE format.
    - Topic Sentence (introduce the author, title and main idea)
    - ACE # 1 (first character trait)
    - ACE # 2 (second character trait)
    - ACE # 3 (third character trait)
    - Concluding sentence

* Remember, the author uses **characterization to develop a character.**

The method includes:

(1) showing the character's appearance,

(2) displaying the character's actions,

(3) revealing the character's thoughts,

(4) letting the character speak, and

(5) getting the reactions of others.

* Think about the **details in the story** that show a particular character trait.

o How do you know the character is *trustworthy*, for example?

o Do his actions show him to be trustworthy?

o Do his words (dialogue) or the words of other characters prove his trustworthiness?

o What specific details from the text prove each of the character traits you’ve chosen?

**Things to remember about your topic sentence:**

* Try to make your topic sentence **interesting** – you want to **hook the reader**!
* You can use **more than one sentence if necessary**.
* Remember to include **the title of the short story** and the **author’s name**.

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| **Character Trait 1** |  |
| **Text Evidence**  **(quote, paraphrase, description of an action, etc.)** | **Explanation of how evidence shows the character displays trait (your commentary).** |

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| **Character Trait 2** |  |
| **Text Evidence** | **Explanation of how evidence shows the character displays trait (your commentary).** |

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| **Character Trait 3** |  |
| **Text Evidence** | **Explanation of how evidence shows the character displays trait (your commentary)** |