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# Character Sketch

In the article "Writing With Walter," the author Walter Dean Myers explains that he used to develop his characters' backgrounds by filling out job applications for them. In this activity, you fill out an application for your own character.

**Directions:** First, create a character in your head. Then, decide what job your character is applying for, such as chef, advertising executive, artist, dog walker, doctor, nurse, teacher, and so forth. Fill in the requested information below for the character you have created.

**Job:** \_\_\_\_\_**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_**Current Address (including city, state, and country):** \_\_\_\_\_**Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_**Place of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_**High School:** \_\_\_\_\_**College:** \_\_\_\_\_**Degree(s):** \_\_\_\_\_**Job Experience (list previous jobs):** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_**Explain why you are a good candidate for this job:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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