

CHARACTER/SITUATION MASH-UP

Directions: Across the top of the sheet, list intriguing characters who could live in picture books—alien, ballerina, leprechaun, rooster, and so on. Going down the left-hand side of the sheet, list interesting situations/themes/events that could affect a character in a picture book—bullying, first day of school, manners, bedtime fears, and so on. Then MASH-UP your ideas. What would happen to a rooster on the first day of school? What would scare an alien at bedtime? (NOTE: Not every combination will be inspiring, but push the limits as much as possible.) Now choose your favorite MASH-UP and plot out that picture book!

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