

CHARACTER/SETTING MASH-UP

Directions: Across the top of the sheet, list intriguing characters who could live in picture books—shark, cowboy, robot, hamster, tight-rope walker, and so on. Going down the left-hand side of the sheet, list interesting settings where a picture book story could take place—zoo, school cafeteria, dentist’s office, ski slope, and so on. Then MASH-UP your ideas. What would happen to a cowboy on a ski slope? How could a robot and a dentist office be combined? (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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