

The Tortilla Curtain—Character Analysis

Describe the character's physical appearance.

What happens to this person in the novel? (Consider Parts 1, 2, and 3.)

How does this character interact with others in the novel? What actions does this person take in the novel that affects others?

Describe the character's personality.

Does this character have any strengths or virtues?

What weaknesses or faults does this character have?

What motivates this character?

What beliefs does this person have?

List important traits/details about this person.

What history or background is revealed about this character? How does this affect the character's actions?

Identify changes/turning points for this character.

Why did the author include this character in his story? How do you think the author wants the reader to feel about this character?

Did the author use this person as a comparison or contrast to another character? Or did the author set up parallel situations between characters?

ADDRESS AT LEAST 10 OF THE ABOVE—You should not just repeat the same information, so choose wisely.

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Choose at least four quotes/passages/situations from throughout *The Tortilla Curtain* **that help to provide a better understanding of the character** you have chosen. (You should include something from each of the three parts.) Print the passages below (or attach a typed copy or photocopy). Include the part, chapter, and the page number(s) where each selection was found in the novel as well as an explanation of **how each passage adds to our knowledge of the character**.

Part **One**, Chapter _____, page number(s):
quote/passage/situation:

significance:

Part **Two**, Chapter _____, page number(s):
quote/passage/situation:

significance:

Part **Three**, Chapter _____, page number(s):
quote/passage/situation:

significance:

Part _____, Chapter _____, page number(s):
quote/passage/situation:

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