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| **Get to Know your Main Character**  Use this as a starting point to become familiar with your main character.  Name: **Mark**  Physical Description (appearance, clothes, etc.):  Mark is a small, “skinny kid, with pale skin.” He is bald from the cancer treatments and wears a green winter hat to cover his head. He has green eyes. He gets rid of his red jacket and wears a grey hoodie. Mark usually carries a camera around his neck, has a book bag, and a duffle bag.  ­­­­Explain this character’s personality (Funny, Kind, Honest):  Mark is **brave** to run leave home and travel to the mountain by  himself. Mark is also **caring,** because he is worried about his often  dog, Beau, being comfortable and he offers to pay for the homeless  man’s food at the diner. We know Mark is **smart** and **creative**  by the way he planned his journey and tricked everyone into  thinking he went in a different direction.  Can you relate to the main character? Explain.  I can relate to the main character in some ways because, like Mark, when I have a goal I won’t let anyone or anything stop me from trying to achieve it. Like Mark, I tend to want to face my problems alone and not ask for help. I also love my dog and take her everywhere I go. I cannot relate to what Mark is feeling and experiencing. It must be terrifying to have cancer and have to worry about dying. | **What are they Thinking?**  Consider what has happened in the first section of your novel. If you could climb inside a character’s head, what do you think they would be thinking? (Ex: What is important to them? What do they think about other characters?)  Character: Mark  Brainstorm some ideas and jot them or draw down inside the circle. Any drawings must be labeled*.*  -Mark isn’t going to let anyone or anything stop him from climbing Mt. Rainer.  -It will be scary and difficult to get to the mountain alone.  -Cancer, the treatments, and the fear of dying are awful things to have to deal with.  -It would be nice to be a normal kid again and just hang out with friends.  -Having Beau tag along makes being alone a little easier.  - |