



Protagonist and Antagonist

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Definition:

Protagonist: The leading character or one of the major characters in a drama, movie, novel, or other fictional text. Often referred to as the "good guy". (*not necessarily the "good")

Antagonist: A person who actively opposes or is hostile to someone or something. Often referred to as the "bad guy".



Purpose:

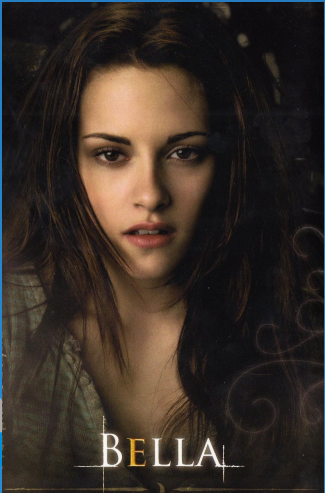
- * The purpose of the protagonist: to direct the story and to give the story movement.
- * The purpose of the antagonist: to create obstacles that the protagonist must overcome.

Examples of some protagonists:



Luke Skywalker

- * Luke is the protagonist in Wars.



* Bella Swan

- * Bella is the protagonist in the Twilight Series.

Examples of some antagonists:



Dark Vader

* The antagonist, or "bad guy" of Star Wars.



The Volturi

* The antagonist in the Twilight Series is The Volturi.

Here is a video example of the protagonist vs. the antagonist of Star Wars.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YZ_j3s5xj8l



Quiz Time:

- * What is the difference between the protagonist and the antagonist?
- * What is their purpose in a story?
- * Does the protagonist in a story have to be "good"?
- * What are two examples of an antagonist and a protagonist besides the ones we used?

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