Name Date

Character/Monster Sketch

1. Decide whether to write a detailed list or a hypothetical encounter you had with a monster. Writing a list is easier, but writing about an encounter helps the reader better understand the character’s voice, and will help get your creativity flowing.
2. Give the monster a name and decide the gender. A name can tell a lot about the character, such as his/her geographical location and age or generation.
3. Use adjectives and similes to describe the character’s physical description. Concentrate on what the monsters looks like, and what he/she is wearing or carries around, such as a baseball bat or a jar of fireflies.
4. Quote a conversation you had with the monster. Describe what he/she says, does and thinks. Write about the monster’s likes and dislikes. Tell the readers about a major goal the monster is working toward or wishes to accomplish.
5. Notice what other people say about the monster and what is their first impression of her/him. Tell about any interesting relationships with family and or friends. Tell whether people like the monster and how they would describe him/her to another person.
6. Explain the setting where the monster can be found. This maybe a specific place like a favorite hangout or where they grew up and lived.
7. Write about what your monster is like in the general sense. Talk about what makes this monster different, what are his/her strengths and weaknesses are and anything you think will be important for the reader to know.