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Character Analysis Through Dialogue and Description

Focus: Inferring character traits through dialogue and descriptive cues.

Read the Passage:

"So you're seriously just going to give up?" Maya asked, crossing her arms as she stared at Owen.
Owen shrugged, looking away. "What's the point? We're not going to win anyway."
Maya sighed, pulling the crumpled blueprint from her backpack. "You're the one who designed the engine. You believed in it yesterday."
"Yeah, well, yesterday I didn't hear Max and the others laughing at our design."
Maya softened her voice. "You're smarter than you think. And braver, too."
Owen blinked. His fingers tightened around the edge of the table, but he said nothing.

Answer the following:

1. What can we infer about Owen's personality from this conversation?

2. How does Maya's character contrast with Owen's?

3. Write 3-4 sentences describing Owen's character **without using traits like "shy" or "insecure."** Use evidence from the passage in your description.

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