

Implied Personalities Answer Key

Sample Answers:

1. **Implied Trait:** Gentle / caring
 - (Explicit action: "carefully scooped the kitten into her arms.")
2. **Implied Trait:** Protective / thoughtful
 - (Explicit action: "wrapped her jacket around the kitten.")
3. **Implied Trait:** Responsible / nurturing
 - (Explicit action: "poured some milk into a saucer.")
4. **Implied Trait:** Kind / reassuring
 - (Explicit action: "whispered, 'You'll be safe here.'")

Teacher Notes:

- Highlight that personality traits are not stated directly; students must "read between the lines."
- Accept synonyms (e.g., gentle, kind, caring) if they fit the evidence.
- Extension: Ask students to write **one new sentence of explicit action** for Maya that would show a different implied trait (e.g., "Maya marched to the shelter to report the stray kitten" → implied trait: responsible).