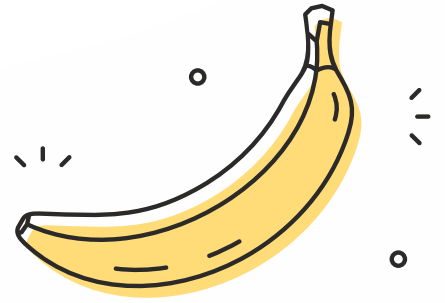




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Character	Adjective	Evidence
Bob	independent	Bob wasn't officially part of the Big Top Mall, even though he lived in Ivan's domain. He snuck in and out of the domain whenever he wanted, and he ran away when the mall workers tried to catch him.
Ivan	creative	Ivan came up with a way to communicate with the humans about what he wanted for Ruby. When he struggled to make his painting right, he used the words from the billboard to help make the message clear.
Stella	wise	Stella remembered every detail of her past, and she shared her stories with the others. She said things like, "Old age is a powerful disguise."
Ruby	curious	Ruby asked a lot of questions when she first arrived at Big Top Mall. She wanted to learn about Ivan and Bob, and she wanted to hear jokes and stories.




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Mack	harsh	When Ruby arrived, Mack yelled and was unkind as he tried to get Ruby out of the truck. When he explained why he brought Ruby to the Big Top Mall, it was clear that he did not care about her and only wanted to make money. Later when he was training her, Mack used the claw-stick and yelled at Ruby.
George	cautious	Even though George wants to help the animals, he is cautious about helping Julia put Ivan’s painting on the billboard because he is worried that Mack will fire him.


 Choose your favorite character from the chart, and think about the adjective you wrote. On a separate sheet of paper, draw a scene from the story that shows the character’s personality. Then, describe the scene.