

- Read the story, and fill in the chart. Determine the character traits of each girl, and list them in the first column. Then list supporting details from the story in the second column.

**observant    impatient    fidgety    imaginative    nature-loving    outspoken**

Janelle and Ivy were drifting in a rowboat in the middle of Duck Lake. Their baited poles were hanging over the edge of the boat. Janelle was watching the dragonflies and thinking how graceful they were. Ivy interrupted her observations.

“Can’t we go back yet? It is so boring out here! Besides, these must be smart fish—they are staying far away from us!”

“Ivy,” said Janelle, “relax and enjoy the view. Look at the reflections of the clouds on the water. The lake is like a mirror today!” Janelle pointed out a cloud that looked like a giant and another that looked like an airplane.

Ivy was not impressed. As she nervously tapped her foot on the bottom of the boat and twirled her hair around

her finger, she said, “Why don’t we go back and go swimming or ride our bikes? I hate just sitting!”




Suddenly the line on Ivy’s fishing pole got tight. Ivy slowly reeled in a fish. As it flopped into the boat, Ivy screamed, “What do I do now?”

Janelle calmly took Ivy’s line, unhooked the fish, and gently put it back in the lake.

“What did you do that for? I just waited an hour to get that fish!” exclaimed Ivy.

“You didn’t really think we were going to keep the fish, did you?” asked Janelle. “I catch and release the fish. I fish for the sport of it.”

“Well, I think it’s a pretty dumb sport. Let’s get out of here,” said Ivy.

	Character Traits	Evidence from the Story
<b>Janelle</b> 	1.	
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<b>Ivy</b>  	1.	
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