



KS3 English Language Fiction Writing

Make It Better

Read these character descriptions. Can you improve on them?

Description	Your improved version – show, don't tell!
He was tall and had dark, wavy hair. When he smiled, he had lots of perfect white teeth. He seemed perfect in every way, but in fact he was a hard-hearted killer.	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
The woman strode into the room, commanding everyone's attention. She was confident and strong, with hair swept back from her face to show steely, determined eyes. Everyone knew instantly that she was the expert on astrophysics that they had been waiting for.	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
The boy was clearly terrified. His hands were shaking and his eyes were dark with fear. He was wearing tatty clothes and had dirty fingernails. He looked like he hadn't eaten in a long time.	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>