Refining Your Character for Dialog

CHARACTER WORKSHEET

(Make Your Character Live and Breathe)

1) NAME	unusual or common	foreign or local
	short or long	
2) SEX	male or female	
3) AGE	numeric	mindset
4) HEALTH	height, weight, plus anything character.	else a doctor would say about your
5) ETHNIC	·	nic, oriental, Native, mix, other worldly
6) НОМЕ	describe your character's home	
7) CAREER	What drives your character's ambitions and financial requirements?	
8) PHYSICAL	large or small unusual attributes, physical o	petite, average, tall definers
9) SOUL/SPIRIT	faith or religion, how does person expect eternity or believe in eternity? What motivates them internally? What concept of God?	

10) HAIR	short, conservative, long		
	wavy, curly, straight		
	brown, black, blonde, grey, white,	red	
11) SKIN	pale dark		
	brown, sallow, white, pinked, etc.		
12) MARKS	scars, disfigurements, visible birthmarks, etc.		
13) ATTITUDE	pessimist optimist	cheerful, sullen, depressive, eager,	
		etc.	
14) LANGUAGE	accent, vocabulary. Is he or she a n	ative speaker	
4E) DI ACE	(in family) aldost very goot middle		
15) PLACE	(in family) eldest, youngest, middle, only, of many, of few, much younger than siblings, much older, etc.		
16) ROLE	(in family) single, parent, mother, father, uncle, aunt, godparent,		
	grandparent, etc.		
17) ATTIRE	Types of clothes your character like	es and/or wears.	
18) ACCESSORIES	Jewelry (how much or how little). Anything non-clothing that he or she uses to accentuate his or her appearance.		
	ases to accentuate his of her appea	arance.	
19) AROMA	How does your person smell? Is it r	noticeable or not? Pleasant or	
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20) TICS	What habits does your character have? Examples: twirl hair, chew gum, bite nails, fidget, kick feet.
21) SPEECH	What are your character's favorite words or phrases?
22) TEMPERAMENT	What situations frighten or anger this character? How does she or he react to stress?

Answers to all these questions will help you create a solid voice for your character in conversation and provide ammunition for your action beats!