

***Touching Spirit Bear* Character Profile**

Who is Cole Matthews?

1. Introduction

- a. "Cole Matthews is..."
- b. T(itle) A(uthor) G(enre) "In *Touching Spirit Bear* by Ben Mikaelson, the main character..."
- c. Cole's appearance
- d. Cole's age
- e. Cole's physical strengths

2. Body Paragraph 1: Cole's Personality

- a. Topic sentence (For example: "Cole's attitude, behavior, and background make up his personality.")
- b. Describe Cole's background (including his past and how it connects to his current behavior and attitude) "Cole's background involved/included..."
- c. Cite evidence (quote) to show example of Cole's background "The text states..." "On page #, it says..." "In the text, it says..." (make sure you include page #s!)
- d. Explain how evidence connects to your claim in **b** "This shows..." "This demonstrates..." "This means..." "In other words..."
- e. Describe Cole's attitude "Cole's attitude throughout the text is..."
- f. Cite evidence (quote) to show example of Cole's attitude "The text states..." "On page #, it says..." "In the text, it says..." (make sure you include page #s!)
- g. Explain how evidence connects to your claim in **e** "This shows..." "This demonstrates..." "This means..." "In other words..."
- h. Describe Cole's behavior "Cole's behavior is..."
- i. Cite evidence (quote) to show example of Cole's behavior "The text states..." "On page #, it says..." "In the text, it says..." (make sure you include page #s!)
- j. Explain how evidence connects to your claim in **h** "This shows..." "This demonstrates..." "This means..." "In other words..."
- k. Summary sentence- conclude your thoughts "Therefore..." "As stated..." "As a result..."

3. Body Paragraph 2: Cole's Interactions with others

- l. Topic sentence (For example: "Cole's view of others and others' views of Cole is...")
- m. Describe Cole's view of others "Cole's view of others in the text is..."
- n. Cite evidence (quote) to show example of Cole's view of others
"The text states..." "On page #, it says..." "In the text, it says..." (make sure you include page #s!)
- o. Explain how evidence connects to your claim in **m** "This shows..."
"This demonstrates..." "This means..." "In other words..."
- p. Describe others' views of Cole "Other people view Cole as..."
- q. Cite evidence (quote) to show example of others' views of Cole
"The text states..." "On page #, it says..." "In the text, it says..." (make sure you include page #s!)
- r. Explain how evidence connects to your claim in **p** "This shows..."
"This demonstrates..." "This means..." "In other words..."
- s. Summary sentence- conclude your thoughts "Therefore..." "As stated..."
"As a result..."

4. Conclusion: Your opinion of Cole

- t. Restate your topic and why it is important (For example: "In the novel, *Touching Spirit Bear*, Cole Matthews is...")
- u. Restate your claims (For example: "Cole's personality and interactions with others...")
- v. State **your** opinion of Cole and explain why readers should believe your opinion
"In my opinion, Cole is... because..." "My opinion of Cole is that he is... because..."
- w. Do you think Cole deserves what happened to him? Why/why not?
- x. Do you think Cole will be able to change? Why/why not?
- y. What do you predict will happen to Cole after he returns from his banishment?