

Backstory Questionnaire

1. What did your character think of their mother and father when they were growing up?
2. What did they hate and love about them?
3. What influence - literal or imagined - did their parents have?
4. Brothers, sisters? Who did they like? Why?
5. What did they despise about their siblings?
6. What type of discipline was your character subjected to at home? Strict? Lenient?
7. Were they overprotected? Sheltered?
8. Did they feel rejection or affection as a child?
9. What was the economic status of their family?
10. Were they brought up to follow any religion?
11. Did they like school? Teachers? Schoolmates?
12. Were they involved at school? Sports? Clubs? Were they popular? An outsider?
13. Did they go to college? Do they have a degree?
14. Did they travel? Where? Why? When?
15. What did they find abroad, and what do they remember?
16. If they have a partner, how did they meet? How did they choose him or her?
17. What were the most deeply impressive political or social, national or international, events that they experienced?
18. Does your character have any secrets?
19. Are they holding on to something from the past? Can they forgive?
20. What are the best and worst things that ever happened to this character?