

## Example

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Book Project  
Character Suitcase

### Brain Robeson's Suitcase

Last summer I flew in a Cessna 406 enroute to visit my dad in the Canadian backcountry. When the pilot had a fatal heart attack, the plane crashed, leaving me to fend for myself in the middle of the wilderness. Since I plan to return, I know what to pack for this trip. *(This is your introduction from the character's point of view.)*

1. A hatchet: It was my lifeline last summer. Without a hatchet I would not have been able to chop wood for the fire or have been able to make a shelter.
2. A twenty dollar bill: I'm bringing this just in case I need it for tinder to start a fire. I'm also bringing it to remind me that money isn't everything in life.
3. A compass: This is necessary to find my way around. I took a course and learned how to use it last winter.
4. A sleeping bag: Without a sleeping bag, I spent many nights last summer shivering with the cold. This will keep me warm.
5. A tent: Wow! To be able to put up a tent without constructing a shelter is a luxury. I will enjoy my stay instead of worrying about protection from the elements.
6. A canteen: Since water is essential, I'll carry a canteen this time. I might not be lucky enough to find a lake on this trip.
7. A first aid kit: The kit will make it easier to bandage and disinfect any wounds I might get. It is good to be prepared for emergencies.
8. A candle: To remind me not to lose hope, I'll light a candle every night. When I lost hope last summer I became depressed and almost died.
9. A medal for bravery: My hometown gave me a medal for bravery upon my return last year. It will remind me of the courage I need to have.
10. A picture of my best friend, Terry: The picture will keep me from feeling lonely and isolated in the wilderness. Having the support of a good friend gets me through the worst of times.

*(These are the 10 items  
and an explanation  
of why the character  
packed each one.)*

