

Annotation Guidelines

Objective: To create a gold standard dataset of stories generated by Large Language Models (LLMs) for evaluating automated methods in detecting cultural and topic bias in children's stories. Your task is to extract detailed information from children's stories. We categorize the information as follows:

Task Overview: You will read each children's story and extract specific information about the characters and context. The extracted attributes are divided into two categories: *Character-Centric Attributes* and *Context-Centric Attributes*.

1. Character-Centric Attributes

✓ Step 1: Identify the Protagonist

- **Protagonist:** The main character of the story. The story typically revolves around their actions, thoughts, or experiences.

✓ Step 2: Protagonist Attributes

- List all the attributes related to the protagonist mentioned in the stories.

✓ Step 3: Annotate Protagonist Attributes

Record the following details about the protagonist:

1. **Protagonist Attributes:** Categorize the protagonist's characteristics into the following subtypes:
 - **Physical Traits:** Descriptions of the character's appearance (e.g., age, hair color, height, clothing).
Example: "curly black hair."
 - **Emotional Traits:** Feelings or moods expressed by the character (e.g., cheerful, anxious, lonely).
Example: "She felt excited."
 - **Mental Traits:** attributes related to intelligence, curiosity, creativity, or problem-solving abilities.
Example: "she was curious."

- **Moral Traits:** Internal motivations or ethical principles such as kindness, generosity, honesty, or bravery.
Example: "She was kind to the injured bird."
 - **Other:** Any attribute that does not fit into the above categories (e.g., magical abilities, hobbies, or roles).
Example: "She had the ability to talk to animals."
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2. Context-Centric Attributes

✓ Step 4: Annotate Context Attributes

Identify elements of the story's environment and societal background:

1. Geographical Setting (Select one):

- *Desert*
- *Green*
- *Magical/Imaginary*
- *Mountain*
- *Water bodies*
- *None:*
- *Example: "The story takes place in an enchanted forest." → Green*

2. Urban Setting (Select one):

- *Village*
- *Town*
- *City*
- *None: No urban setting is mentioned.*
- *Example: "He lived in a small village with his grandparents" → Village*

3. Socioeconomic Status (Select one):

- *Poor*
- *Middle class*
- *Wealthy*
- *None*
- *Example: "She was a princess from a royal family" → Wealthy*