

## Ernest Hemingway's Code Hero



A **Hemingway Code Hero** is defined as a Hemingway character who “offers up and exemplifies certain principles of honor, courage, and endurance which in a life of tension and pain make a man a man.” Some people have said that Santiago from *The Old Man and the Sea* is the finest, most developed example of one of Hemingway's code heroes.

In this activity, you will identify and analyze the character traits that make up Hemingway's code hero. As you continue to read *The Old Man and the Sea*, be on the lookout for passages that describe the traits of this code hero.

### **DIRECTIONS:**

Each group will be assigned a specific character trait of a Hemingway Code Hero.

1. Discuss the character trait(s) with your group. Imagine how a person who possesses these traits might act like.
2. Recall that a comic strip is a sequence of drawings arranged in interrelated panels to display brief humor or form a narrative, often serialized, with text in balloons and captions. With your group, brainstorm how you might demonstrate your Hemingway Code Hero's character trait in a comic strip.
3. Create a comic strip that clearly represents the character trait within the Hemingway Code Hero character. Make sure your comic strip is a story of a situation the Code Hero might find himself involved in.

### **CRITERIA FOR SUCCESS:**

*Your Hemingway Code Hero comic strip:*

- clearly demonstrates your Hemingway Code Hero characteristic(s)
- tells the story of a situation your Hemingway Code Hero is involved in
- includes written text for each panel that describes the Hero's story
- has a minimum of 6 panels
- is neat, colorful, and creative!

