Madagascar Wiki
Character Page Guidelines

Introduction

In this document, you will find all the requirements for a character page, as well as some guidelines for optional contents. This will ensure that all of our pages shall be uniformed and synchronised throughout the entire Wiki.

Compulsory Requirements

It is important that all character pages must include enough information and content for users visiting the Wiki to read. Therefore, we must make sure that each and every of our Character pages contains at least the below elements:

1. Must be titled with the name the character is usually known as
2. Must be categorised as "Characters"
3. Must be placed under a faction category
4. Must include all required contents listed in the Contents chapter

Contents:

1. Tab* (General* / Photos* / Trivia** / Quotes** / Behind the Scenes / Other)
2. Horizontal line separator*
3. Infobox* (must include at least Name, Image, and First Appearance)
4. Introduction*
5. Biography*
6. Personality**
7. Relationship**
8. Talents***

* = Required in all pages
** = Required in main character pages, highly encouraged for other pages
*** = Highly encouraged to be included in any pages, but not compulsory

Content Guideline:

Tab

The tab section will consist of the Tab template, which can be found in most of the established character pages, namely the 12 main characters of the franchise. At least two tabs must be placed, which are General (main page), and Photos, all linking to their respective subpages (except for General which shall be linked to the main page).

To create the tab template, you will have to insert the below code in Source Mode at the start of the page.

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{{Tabs|
{{Tabs#|{{BASEPAGENAME}}|General}}
{{Tabs#|{{BASEPAGENAME}}/Photos|Photos}}
{{Tabs#|{{BASEPAGENAME}}/Trivia|Trivia}}
{{Tabs#|{{BASEPAGENAME}}/Quotes|Quotes}}
}}
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Replace the hash (#) to its respective code number, which is '1' for the page you are editing, and '2' for the other pages. You can look at an established page for reference on the tab.

Horizontal line separator

In Source Mode, below the Tabs template that either you just placed or has already existed, add the code "`----`". Once you've done that you should successfully have added a horizontal line separator to separate the Tabs section from the contents below.

Infobox

In Visual Editor, click the Insert button on the menu, and from the dropdown selection pane, select Infobox. A menu will pop up listing all the Infoboxes in the Wiki, and you will have to select the one named "MW-Character Infobox". After that, you may fill in all necessary information in the infobox and click "Apply Changes" once you're done.

Introduction

The Introduction section is a brief summary of the page, meaning that in this case, it will consist of 1–5 sentences in one paragraph, explaining the character in a basic and short form. The section must begin with:

> [character name] is a {main} character in ("the *Madagascar* franchise" / "*The Penguins of Madagascar*" / "*All Hail King Julien*").

[] = Insert content
{} = Only if applies
() = Pick one that applies

The Introduction section must be short, simple, summarising and enticing as it will be the excerpt used when the page appears in search results. Try to include only important information. For a main or major character, it is good to have other than the preface above, a short list of notable things about the character; for example, a quick listing of the character's notable works and achievements.

For minor characters, the preface is enough for the entire Introduction section and you may resume to the biography.

Biography

Biography is as its name states, is for the biography of the character. The section must begin with a title using "Heading" which says "Biography", and it must have an introduction where a short story about the character is written, who they are, what they are known for, the basic path of his life, and anything that will fit in a preface of the biography.

Next, you will need to add at least one subsection, which is about the character in the show/movie they appear in. For example, for a character that appears in The Penguins of Madagascar, you will have to add a subsection for The Penguins of Madagascar, which must begin with a title using "Sub-heading 1", that writes "The Penguins of Madagascar" (or whatever the show name you're using is). After that, you may write about the character in The Penguins of Madagascar.

The priority arrangement for these sub-sections is:

1. Madagascar
2. Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa
3. Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted
4. Penguins of Madagascar
5. The Penguins of Madagascar
6. All Hail King Julien
7. The Madagascar Penguins in a Christmas Caper
8. Merry Madagascar
9. Madly Madagascar

In addition to that, you may also add era-based subsections, and based on the era, whether it be something like "Early Years" or "Later Years", or a certain timeframe like "King Koto Era" or even an episode like "Karl-Mageddon".

These sub-sections shall be arranged in chronological order.

Another optional set of sub-section is things that the character is known for. For example, for Dr Blowhole, a sub-section can be added specifically about his "Ring of Fire" project, or any other of his many plans to rule the world.

Personality

This is a simpler section so to speak, where there are not many regulations to comply to. The only thing you need is the title, which like the Biography section, will be in the "Heading" format which writes "Personality". This optional section will contain the characteristics of the character, and if needed may be separated into sub-sections for the different factions if they are different in each universe.

Relationship

This section is for the character's interaction, or as the title says, relationship with another character. It shall also begin with the title in the "Heading" format, and writing "Relationship".

Sub-sections shall be added for the other characters, with a title in the "Sub-heading 1" format writing the character's name. The content will explain the character's interaction with another character.

Any sort of headcanon or rumour is preferred to be kept to rumour pages only.

Talents

This section will explain the talents and abilities of a certain character. It shall begin with the title in the "Heading" format writing "Talents".

No sub-sections required.

Additional Contents:

If found necessary, additional contents are allowed on all character pages. However, if the Madagascar Wiki Administration in any way finds the content unnecessary it shall be removed.

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