Sample Character's Childhood Planning Sheet

Name of Character: Dumbledore

Book: Harry Potter and Chamber of Secrets

Author: J.K. Rowling

Some major characteristics or most important actions of this character are: He is funny; wise; powerful; kind, tolerant. He is a leader; he stays calm. He does things his own way, not the way others tell him to_

What it would be interesting to know about the character's childhood	Details for my story	Characteristic(s) of the character this helps to explain
Where did he live?	In a rural area near London	
What were his parents/family like?	Wizarding family; chaotic household with lots of kids or maybe just people they let stay there because they needed to.	How he stays calm with the students, even when there is chaos and danger. Why he is kind (his parents were); why he is funny (lots of joking with people when he was a kid)
What was his house/neighborhood like?	They lived in the woods near lots of magical creatures and people of other magical races	Why he seems to understand and get along with so many types of people; why he is tolerant
Who were his friends?	Even though he lived mostly in the wizarding world, his best friend was a muggle and he had lots of friends of other magical races.	Why he is tolerant of others, accepts all kinds of people.
What important things were happening in the world?	Maybe other magical races were being discriminated against very badly.	If he didn't like this and tried to help them, this would explain why he doesn't always think people in authority are right.
What were the key events in his childhood?	He spent a lot of time in the woods because his house was so crowded; When he met the muggle who became his best friend; maybe he helped hide a giant who was chased out of a wizarding village	Why he is so wise and powerful, because he spent a lot of time thinking.

Writing idea:

I will write about when he meets the muggle who becomes his friend and they help a giant escape.

