A character is a person or animal in a story. To understand a character better, you should pay attention to the details a story often gives about the character.

Some kids are scared to go to the dentist, but not me. I have a funny dentist. His name is Dr. Smileyface. I don’t think that’s his real name, but that’s what he tells all the kids who come to see him. He has a cool waiting room. It has video games and a big toy box. Dr. Smileyface always wears funny hats. Sometimes he has his face painted. He asks funny questions like “Are you married yet?” and “Do you eat flowers to make your breath smell so sweet?” That makes me laugh. One time, he told me this joke, “What has lots of teeth but never goes to the dentist? A comb!” When I laughed, he pulled my tooth. It didn’t hurt at all! He also teaches me how to take care of my teeth because he says he doesn’t want me to get a cavity the size of the Grand Canyon. Before I go home, he always gives me a surprise. Last time I went, he gave me a rubber spider to scare my mom with!

Color the pictures that could be Dr. Smileyface. Put an X on the pictures that could not be him.

Draw a line from the toothbrush to the tooth that makes the sentence true.

6. Dr. Smileyface makes
   how to take care of their teeth.
   with a surprise.

7. The child who wrote this story
   his patients laugh.
   is not afraid to go to the dentist.

8. Dr. Smileyface teaches kids

9. Dr. Smileyface sends kids home
6. Dr. Smileyface makes his patients laugh. 7. The child who wrote this story is not afraid to go to the dentist. 8. Dr. Smileyface teaches kids how to take care of their teeth. 9. Dr. Smileyface sends kids home with a surprise.