

# Things Fall Apart

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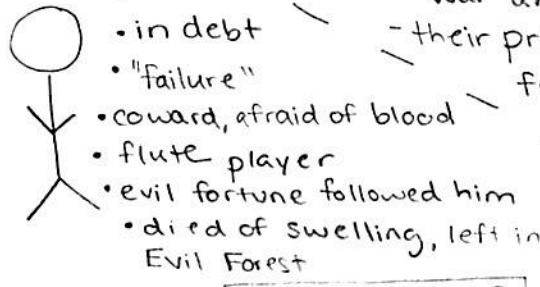
## Character Guide

## UMUOFIA

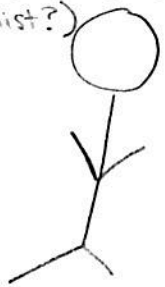
- Okonkwo's village
- feared by neighbors; powerful in war and magic
- their priests and medicine men were feared in the surrounding country

## OKONKWO IMMEDIATE FAMILY

**Unoka** (pg. 4)



**Okonkwo** (pg. 3)  
main character & protagonist?



typically emotionless  
except for anger (fiery temper)  
large; wrestler  
biggest fear = failure/weakness/  
ending up like his father

father of  
son of

**Wife 1: name?**  
- Most senior

**Wife 2: Ekwefi**  
- 9 children died in infancy  
- Was village beauty, first married another man because Okonkwo was too poor  
- Ran away from first husband for Okonkwo

**Wife 3: Ojiugo**  
- Youngest wife

Like a son

**Ikemefuna**

- sacrificed by neighboring village to Umuofia to avoid war and bloodshed



**Nwoye**, son (age ~12)  
↳ lazy  
**Obiageli**, daughter  
↳ + 2 other younger sons

**Ezinma**, daughter  
- close relationship with her mother (first name basis)

**Nkechi**, daughter

## OTHER COMMUNITY MEMBERS

**Ogbuefi Ezeugo** (pg. 8)

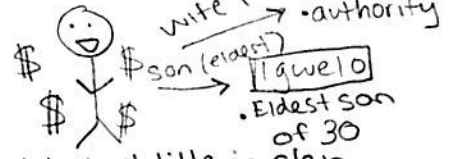


**Ezeani**



Priest of the Earth Goddess, Ani

**Nwakibia**



- 2nd highest title in clan
- Okonkwo worked for him to earn 1st seed yams
- 3 huge barns, 9 wives, 30 kids

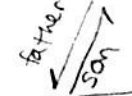
**Ogbuefi Ezeudu**



- oldest man in the village
- Was a great/fearless warrior in his time

**Obierika**

- Okonkwo's friend
- Ozo title



**Maduka** + 2 older brothers  
• wrestler

half brother of  
half sister of **Akueke**

# MORE COMMUNITY MEMBERS

**Chielo**



- Priestess of Agbala, the Oracle of the Hills and Caves
- ALSO a widow with 2 kids, lives an ordinary life outside of her priestess job

**Okagbue Uyanwa**

- medicine-man with great knowledge about agbanje children
- Okonkwo consults him when one of Ekwefi's infants (Onwumbiko) dies



**Ajofia (pg. 134)**



Leading egwugwu of Umuofia, the head of the justice-administering group

## THE ORACLE (Agbala)

- Glimpse into future
- consult deceased spirits
- Fix misfortune

(dark hole in hill)  
 visitor crawl in  
 Priestess of Agbala (aka Chielo) inside, can barely see her.

# MBANTA → The land of Okonkwo's mother

**Uchendu**



- Okonkwo's mother's younger brother (aka Okonkwo's Uncle)
- Eldest surviving member of Okonkwo's family

daughter →



**Akeuni**

Sons →

**Amikwu**



youngest son

+ 4 other sons

# MISSIONARIES FROM ENGLAND

**Reverend James Smith**

- Saw things in black and white; the things he saw in black were automatically considered evil.



**Mr. Brown**



- white missionary
- Respected by many clan members because he trod softly on their faith.
- Nicest of the missionaries

→ Okeke, his interpreter

**Mr. Kiaga**



- Native who converts to Christianity
- Converts Nwoye

**The District Commissioner**

- Super racist authority in the new white colonial government that's being established near Umuofia/Mbanta
- writing a book

