

Characters from *Things Fall Apart*:

- Okonkwo (3) – protagonist of the novel, has 3 wives, 8 children, ashamed of his father, nicknamed the “Roaring Flame,” takes in & then kills a boy sacrificed from another village, is exiled after an accidental death, returns to Umuofia to find the Christian missions established, hangs himself after a conflict with the District Commissioner
- Amalinze (3) – the wrestler Okonkwo defeated
- Unoka (4) – Okonkwo’s father, lazy, indebted, buried in the evil forest, liked music
- Okoye (5) – neighbor who tried to get Unoka to pay him back
- Ikemefuna (8) – boy from Mbaino, was given to village of Umuofia to avoid war
- Ogbuefi Ezeugo (10) – announces the killing of a Umuofia woman
- Ogbuefi Udo (11) – his wife was the woman killed by Mbaino
- Oracle of the Hills and the Caves, Agbala (12, 16, more)
- Nwoye (13) – Okonkwo’s son with his first wife, converts to Christianity & takes the name Isaac, leaves his family, he cannot reconcile the beatings his father gives him, the practice of leaving twins to die or the murder of Ikemefuna, will return to convert his mother & siblings to Christianity
- Chika (17) – was the priestess for Agbala before Chielo, when Unoka was younger
- Nwakibie (18) – wealthy man who helped Okonkwo get started as a yam farmer
- Anasi (20) – first wife of Nwakibie
- Ogbuefi Idigo (20) – ground good snuff, was ill
- Obiako (20) – the palm-wine tapper who quit his work
- Akukalia (20) – contributed to the speculative talk (gossip) about Obiako in Chapter 3
- Igwelo (21) – Nwakibie’s elder son, recently married
- Osugo (26) – Okonkwo insulted him at a village meeting & reluctantly apologized
- Ezeani (29) – the priest of the earth goddess, Ani
- Ojiugo (29) – Okonkwo’s third & youngest wife, he beat her during the Week of Peace
- Ogbuefi Ezeudu (31, 57, 121) – oldest man in the village, well-respected, was a fine warrior, was first to tell Okonkwo that the Oracle had decided Ikemefuna must be killed, a very big funeral was held in honor of Ezeudu after he died; this is where Okonkwo’s gun exploded & killed Ezeudu’s 16-year-old son.
- Nwayieke (35, 95) – old woman with missing teeth who smokes a pipe & lives near the udala tree, cooks late at night
- Ekwefi (39) – Okonkwo’s second wife, he beat her & nearly shot her during the New Yam festival, she loves wrestling, was the village beauty in her youth, nine of her children had died (Onwumbiko, Ozoemena, Onwuma), she left her first husband, Anene, to marry Okonkwo
- Ezinma (40) – Okonkwo & Ekwefi’s daughter, about 10, Okonkwo is proud of her, wishes she were a boy, she is saved from being “ogbanje,” grows up to be “Crystal of Beauty”
- Obiageli (43) – Okonkwo’s daughter with his first wife, about the same age as Ezinma
- Nkechi (45) – Okonkwo & Ojiugo’s daughter
- Maduka (47, 65, 70, 115-116) – good wrestler, Obierika’s son, Okonkwo wishes his sons were like Maduka
- Obierika (47, 65) – Maduka’s father & Okonkwo’s friend, helps maintain Okonkwo’s land during Okonkwo’s exile, Obierika is a supportive friend, he is angry at Okonkwo’s unjust death
- Chielo (48) – widow, mother of two, the priestess to Agbala, likes Ezinma
- Okafo (49) – head of a wrestling team, beaten by Ikezue
- Ikezue (50) – head of another wrestling team, wins the match
- Ofoedu (67) – brings the news of Ndulue’s & Ozoemena’s deaths, an old couple village Ire
- Ogbuefi Ndulue (67) – from Ire village, died & his wife died the same day
- Ozoemena (68) – Ndulue’s first wife, died shortly after Ndulue passed, the couple “had one mind” (68)
- Umezulike (69) – the man who taps Okonkwo’s palm trees for him to collect & make palm-wine
- Dimaragana (69) – Mythical character? refused to cut taboo dog meat with his knife, but would use his teeth

- Akueke (70) – Obierika’s daughter, she is to be married
- Ibe (72) – the suitor for Akueke, about 25 years old, makes good palm wine
- Ukegbu (72) – Ibe’s father, agrees to pay 20 cowries for Akueke, his son’s bride
- Machi (73) – Obierika’s eldest brother
- Okagbue Uyanwa (78-85) – medicine man who specializes in *ogbanje*, tall with a full beard & bald head, he finds Exinma’s *iyi-uwa*
- Mgbafo (87) – woman who has a public trial to try to leave her abusive husband
- Uzowulu (87) – Mgbafo’s abusive husband, he pays his wife’s family in order to keep her as his wife
- Odukwe (90) – Mgbafo’s eldest brother, speaks for her in the egwugwu council, threatens Uzowulu
- Okeke (96) – Okonkwo buys snuff from him, but it is not very good (different than the interpreter & elder)
- Anene (109) – Ekwefi’s first husband (different than Nwoye’s friend)
- Nwankwo (113) – Obierika’s relative, went to big market in Umuoia to buy a fat goat
- Mgbogo (115) – woman who was ill in Chapter 12
- Udenkwo (115) – had a one-month old baby in Chapter 12
- Ezelagbo (115) – one of her husband’s cows got out
- Ogbuefi Ezenwa (116) – one of the men at Obierika’s party in Chapter 12
- Uchendu (129) – Okonkwo’s uncle in Mbanta, his mother’s youngest brother, wise, lectures on “Mother is Supreme”
- Amikwu (131, 151) – Uchendu’s youngest son, Okonkwo’s cousin, marrying a new wife in Chapter 14, saw Nwoye in the Christian church in Chapter 17 & told Okonkwo
- Njide (132) – Uchendu’s oldest daughter, Okonkwo’s cousin
- Akuene (135) – Uchendu’s daughter who has given birth to twins, which had to die according to custom
- Iweka (137) – Obierika’s father, who knew Uchendu
- Anene (141) – Nwoye’s friend in Umuoia (different than Ekwefi’s first husband)
- Nweke (141) – newly married, accompanies Obierika to visit Okonkwo in Mbanta
- Okadigbo (142) – man in Umuoia, second daughter married Nweke
- Mr. Kiaga (150) – interpreter for the missionaries in Mbanta
- Nneka (151) – first woman from Mbanta to convert to Christianity, wife of Amadi, who abandoned her after her conversion because she had given birth to twins four times.
- Okeke (159) – one of the elders of Mbanta who argues not to punish the Christians for killing a sacred python (different than the man who makes Okonkwo’s snuff & interpreter)
- Mr. Brown (159, 178-182) – the white missionary working to convert villages of Mbanta & Umuoia, he is diplomatic, fell ill & had to return to England, replaced by Mr. Smith
- Okoli (160) – rumored to have killed a python, a Christian convert, died of illness
- Nneka (162) – name of Okonkwo’s first child born during his exile, meaning “Mother is Supreme”
- Nwoyia (162) – name of son born during Okonkwo’s exile, meaning “Begotten in the Wilderness”
- Okolo (165) – ancestor of the people of Mbanta
- Unachukwu (167) – an elder of Mbanta
- Emefo (167) – an elder of Mbanta
- Ogbuefi Ugonna (174) – man in Umuoia who converted to Christianity
- Aneto (176) – a man who has been hanged by the white men over a land dispute
- Oduche (177) – man killed by Aneto in land dispute
- Nnama (176) – family won the land in the dispute between Aneto & Oduche after bribing the white men
- Enoch (178, 185) – member of the mission church, a convert, former member of the snake cult, small man, always in a hurry, fights & argues, causes a big conflict between the clan & the Christians
- Akunna (179) – member of nearby village who trusts Mr. Brown; the two men discuss their religions
- Mr. Smith (184) – Reverend James Smith replaces Mr. Brown, he is stern & undiplomatic
- Okeke (189) – Mr. Smith’s interpreter who disagreed with Mr. Smith’s decision to hide Enoch in the church (different than elder & snuff maker)

- Ajofia (189) – leading “egwugwu” of Umuofia, spirit in the ceremonies, leads the group that destroys the church in Chapter 22
- Ogbuefi Ekwueme (193) – tried to tell the District Commissioner about the destruction of the church, but was handcuffed with Okonkwo & the other representatives
- Okudo (200) – sang war songs back when Okonkwo had been a warrior
- Egonwanne (200) – a leader in Umuofia
- Okika (202) – one of the six men held for three days by the District Commissioner
- Onyeka (202) – calls the meeting in Chapter 24 to order