

# **The impact on dysfunctional Families on Rocky**

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# Describe your character

Rocky: Allegedly has superpowers, he is 7 years old during the film. He usually visit his mother's grave at the graveyard. He talk to strangers like for example a homeless man near the graveyard. He is the reason why his mother died. He barely talks to his father Alamein. Therefore creating more of a dysfunctional family then a normal family.

# Events that show qualities of the character

Events that show him believing he has powers is how the author does drawings of what he is feeling or thinking. Also there are scenes where Rocky spends most of his time near his Mothers grave and how Alamein does not spend time with Rocky or grieve his wife. This shows that this is a dysfunctional family but Rocky does grieve his Mother and spends time her in the grave. He also follows his brother “Boy” His brother “Boy” makes him look like the bigger person which makes Rocky follow the footsteps of his brother.

# Techniques

One of the techniques used when showing Rocky is the medium-close up shot with natural afternoon lighting and shallow focus. Rocky is at the graveyard using what he calls “powers” through his own imagination. He was using his powers to the homeless man, making him trip. The shallow focus will emphasize what the shot is focusing on, making the audience take note on the character (in this case Rocky). The natural lighting gives the real life time effect on the shot, which is set on the afternoon.



## **Why do we identify with these characters**

Taika Waititi does a great job with making the characters relatable to the audience. We identify these characters because it relates to society, such as Boy and Rocky are living on a poor, dysfunctional family. Dysfunctional family can lead to problem which they think it normal such as smoking weed, abuse on children, lack of attention and influence from their parents. In this movie, their family demonstrated that their father Alamein told boy to bring weed to him, which he will smoke. This shows a negative outcome with lack of attention and bad influence.