Reeve creates an effective character with Shrike because he has more than one side to him. In some cases he is a terrifying and heartless monster when he chases Tom and Hester in Airhaven but on the other hand we find that he has a more sensitive side. This is demonstrated when he finds Hester on the shores of her home: When he picks her up and says "YOU CAN'T STAY HERE CHILD" This suggests a more caring side to him despite the fact that Hester says he has no feelings. The way that he uses the word 'CHILD' suggests that he might have been a father himself when he was human which creates a feeling of sympathy for him. On the other hand this could create an image somebody who has lost everything and can't rectify it.


**Sentence Starters**

- Shrike is a good character because...
- Shrike is an effective character because...
- This is demonstrated when he...
- We find this out when...
- This suggests that...
- On the other hand it might create the image of...
- The reader would then think that...
- This links the wider themes in the book of...
Shrike Description - Minimum of 500 words

- Shrike is a...

- Shrike is an effective character because...

- This is demonstrated when he...

- We can see in this image here he has...

- This suggests that...

- On the other hand it might create the image of...

- The reader would then think that...