

Is Willy Loman a tragic hero?

Read through the following statements and decide the following:

1. Whether you agree or disagree with the statement;
2. Whether it helps to support or dispute the idea that Loman is a tragic hero;
3. Prepare a presentation for the rest of the class on your ideas. Use evidence from the text to support your opinions.

Loman:

is a bad parent.
is a disloyal husband.
was an optimist whose dreams have been shattered.
is a hard worker.
is an ordinary man.
is a dreamer.
is a hopeful realist.
is someone who is trying to correct his mistakes.
has been cheated.
is someone who has been discarded by society when he is no longer useful.
does the best he can for his family in difficult circumstances.
tells lies and deserves what happens to him.
manipulates those around him.
does not realise what a failure he is.
is a coward.
tries very hard to succeed.
represents many working men in USA at the time.
believes too much in the goodness of others.
is a product of the American Dream.
has not learned from his experiences.