

Theme: the message, or lesson, that the author wants you to learn from the story.

Common topics for Theme - "BIG IDEAS"

- courage
- dreams
- kindness
- fears
- being yourself
- equality
- hope
- differences
- friendship
- hard work
- honesty
- love
- family
- jealousy
- acceptance
- never giving up
- doing the right thing
- achievement
- peace

Ask yourself...

- \* What did the characters learn?
- \* How did the characters grow or change?
- \* Why did the characters act this way?

When you know the theme ...

I know the theme is \_\_\_\_\_ because the text stated \_\_\_\_\_.