



# Theme in Literature

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Grade: Grade 5

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## Part A: Fix the Sentence

Each sentence has an error. Rewrite it correctly on the line.

1. Fix the sentence: The theme of the story about a lost dog is friendship.

Rewrite: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Fix the sentence: The theme of the poem is sadness.

Rewrite: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Fix the sentence: The theme of the fairy tale is that the princess lived happily ever after.

Rewrite: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Part B: Fill in the Blank

Write the missing word or number on each line.

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of a story is the central message or life lesson the author wants to share.
2. Unlike theme, the \_\_\_\_\_ of a story is simply what the story is about in one or two words.
3. A theme is always expressed as a complete \_\_\_\_\_, not just a single word.
4. In a story where a boy practices piano every day and wins the contest, the theme is that hard work leads to \_\_\_\_\_.

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## Part C: Short Answer

Answer each question in one or two complete sentences.

1. Read: A girl shares her lunch with a new student who forgot hers. Later, that student helps the girl when she trips and falls. What is the theme? Use evidence from the text.

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2. What is the difference between the topic and the theme of a story? Give an example of each using a story about honesty.

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### Part A: Fix the Sentence

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Each sentence has an error. Rewrite it correctly on the line.

1. Fix the sentence: The theme of the story about a lost dog is friendship.

Rewrite: The topic of the story about a lost dog is friendship, but the theme is a message such as 'True friends never give up on each other.'

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2. Fix the sentence: The theme of the poem is sadness.

Rewrite: The topic of the poem is sadness, but the theme might be 'Sharing your feelings with others can help you heal.'

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3. Fix the sentence: The theme of the fairy tale is that the princess lived happily ever after.

Rewrite: The theme of the fairy tale is that kindness and courage are rewarded in the end.

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### Part B: Fill in the Blank

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Write the missing word or number on each line.

1. The theme of a story is the central message or life lesson the author wants to share.
2. Unlike theme, the topic of a story is simply what the story is about in one or two words.
3. A theme is always expressed as a complete sentence, not just a single word.
4. In a story where a boy practices piano every day and wins the contest, the theme is that hard work leads to success.

### Part C: Short Answer

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Answer each question in one or two complete sentences.

1. Read: A girl shares her lunch with a new student who forgot hers. Later, that student helps the girl when she trips and falls. What is the theme? Use evidence from the text.

The theme is that kindness is often returned. The evidence is that the girl shared her lunch, and later the new student helped her when she fell, showing that acts of kindness come back to you.

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2. What is the difference between the topic and the theme of a story? Give an example of each using a story
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