

THEMES REVISITED

REVIEW

- What is a theme?
- What is an example of a theme?
- Where can you look to find the theme?

SUBJECT(TOPIC) VS. THEME

- Subject (Topic): is only a few words or a single word.
- Example: “family bonds”
“love”
- Theme: is an opinion that expresses a point of view.
- Example: “Family bonds are stronger than friendships”
- “Love sometimes requires hard sacrifices”

EXAMPLE: TORTOISE AND HARE

- Subject: Perseverance
- Theme: Slow and steady wins the race.

LION AND THE MOUSE

- Subject?
- Theme?

VIDEO

- What are the subjects?
- What are the themes?



BUILD THEMES FROM SUBJECTS

- Examples:
 - Subject: Freedom
 - Theme: “Freedom is worth fighting for.”

- Subject: Wealth
- Theme: “Money won’t always make you happy.”

TURN SUBJECTS INTO THEMES: YOUR TURN

- Take out a piece of paper and a pencil
- Working alone, choose one of these subjects, and turn it into a theme by making a complete, arguable sentence:
 - 1) Love
 - 2) Friendship
 - 3) Honesty
 - 4) Family

DISCUSS WITH YOUR TABLEMATES

- What topic did you pick?
- How did you create your theme?
- Why did you create your theme?
- Are there similarities between your partner's theme and your own?

WRITE A NARRATIVE

- On the back side of your paper:
- Write a real-life event that relates, to or is built from, the theme you wrote.
- OR, create a fictional story that incorporates and builds off your theme and subject.
- Write at least 8 sentences