



## What are themes?

Themes can be found in poems, drama and stories

The theme is the message or lesson, that the author wants you to learn from the story.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SsVIa4WIdcw

The theme is not always directly stated by the author.

Sometimes, as a reader, you will have to think about the events/plot of the story to work out the theme.



## When trying to determine the theme, ask yourself...

· What was the problem in the story?

· How did the characters respond to the problem?

· How did the characters change in the story?

- · What did the characters learn in the story?
- · What sticks with you, as the reader?

## Common Themes

Love

Respect

Forgiveness

Hope

Teamwork

Courage

Friendship

Honesty

**Overcoming Challenges** 

Be happy with yourself



Now thinking about our story, it's your turn to complete the reading task for today.