

# Exploring Story Meaning

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## Final Novel Study Introduction

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Answer the following questions based on the lesson about themes in literature.

1. What is a theme in literature?

- A. The main character's name
- B. The central idea or underlying meaning
- C. The title of the book

2. How do themes relate to our understanding of life and spiritual truths?

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3. Proverbs 2:3-5 encourages us to seek understanding and \_\_\_ as if it were hidden treasures.

4. Good stories typically have only one theme.

- True       False

5. What might you do to discover themes while reading a novel?

- A. Ignore the characters
- B. Look for recurring ideas and events
- C. Just focus on the pictures

6. What are some questions you can ask to identify themes in a story?

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7. Themes are often connected to \_\_\_ human experiences.

8. The author's beliefs about life can be revealed through themes in their stories.

- True       False

9. According to Proverbs 2:6, who gives wisdom?

- A. People
- B. Yahweh
- C. Books

10. How might the themes you discovered connect to our Christian worldview?

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Answer Key

1. The central idea or underlying meaning 2. Themes help us see the author's beliefs about life and can reflect spiritual truths that are important to our faith. 3. wisdom 4. False 5. Look for recurring ideas and events 6. You can ask what the story is trying to teach us, how characters' actions suggest deeper meanings, and how events connect to real-life experiences. 7. universal 8. True 9. Yahweh 10. Themes can reflect our values and beliefs as Christians, helping us see how the story aligns with our understanding of God and life.