



Fable & Poem Theme Match

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Class: _____

My level: ☐ Explorer ☐ Investigator ☐ Legend

Mission: The library is making theme labels for its fable and poetry shelf. Read three short texts, match each to its true theme card (watch out for topics and silly traps!), and mark the line that proves it.

Big question: How do details in different texts reveal their themes?

★ Warm-up: Finish the moral

Complete each lesson in your own words.

In "The Tortoise and the Hare," slow and steady...

A theme must be written as a...

Key vocabulary

Fable	A short story, often with animals, that teaches a lesson.
Moral	The lesson of a fable.
Stanza	A group of lines in a poem.
Theme	The message about life in a text.

1 Box 1

Match the themes

In the simulator: Place the correct theme card on all THREE texts.

Why is "Friendship" NOT a good theme card?

☐ It is a topic, not a lesson written as a sentence ☐ None of the texts are about friends ☐ It is too long

2 Box 2

Prove each one

In the simulator: In EACH text, highlight the line that best shows its theme.

What did you notice?

3 Box 3

Poem clues

In "Two Seeds," what does the second seed "making no sound" suggest?

☐ It never grew because it wouldn't take a risk ☐ It was sleeping ☐ It became a tree too

4 Box 4

Compare

How are "The Ant and the Grasshopper" and "Two Seeds" alike?

☐ Both show that what you choose to do now affects your future ☐ Both are poems ☐ Both have lions

5 Box 5

Explain one theme

Choose one text. What is its theme, and how does the ending show it?

Claim Start: "The theme of..."

Evidence Start: "The text says, "..."

Reasoning Start: "This shows..."

6 Box 6

Legend: write a fable 🏆 Legend only

Write a 3-sentence fable with animals that teaches: "Being kind to others comes back to you." Do not state the lesson directly.

Exit ticket: answer the big question in your own words

How do details in different texts reveal their themes?

Completion code:

Shown on the last screen of the simulator.