

Lower Level Level - September 2026

Week 3: Theme, Conflict & Point of View | Vocabulary & Comprehension

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SECTION 1: VOCABULARY

theme	The central message or lesson of a story
universal theme	A theme relevant to all people across time and culture
point of view	The perspective from which a story is narrated
first person	Narrator is a character using "I"
third person limited	Narrator tells one character's thoughts and feelings
omniscient	All-knowing narrator
man vs. self	Internal conflict within a character
man vs. society	Conflict between character and social norms
man vs. nature	Conflict between character and the natural world
irony	A contrast between what is expected and what occurs

SECTION 2: USE IT IN A SENTENCE - Choose 4 words above and write original sentences.

1. Word: _____ Sentence: _____

2. Word: _____ Sentence: _____

3. Word: _____ Sentence: _____

4. Word: _____ Sentence: _____

SECTION 3: COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

1. What is the difference between a topic and a theme?

2. How does the point of view shape what a reader knows about characters?

3. Give an example of a universal theme and explain why it applies across cultures.

4. What are four types of conflict? Describe each with an example.

5. How can two different narrators tell the same event very differently?
