



ELA Virtual Learning

English I

May 19th, 2020



9th Grade/English I

Lesson: May 19th, 2020

Objective/Learning Target:

- I can read and comprehend a text independently.
- I can identify the theme/themes of a text and use textual evidence to support my interpretation of the text.

Bell Ringer

Analyze the quotation below and answer the questions that follow.

“Real courage is when you know you’re licked before you begin, but you begin anyway and see it through no matter what.” - *To Kill a Mockingbird*, Harper Lee

What does Harper Lee mean? What lesson does she want the reader to takeaway?



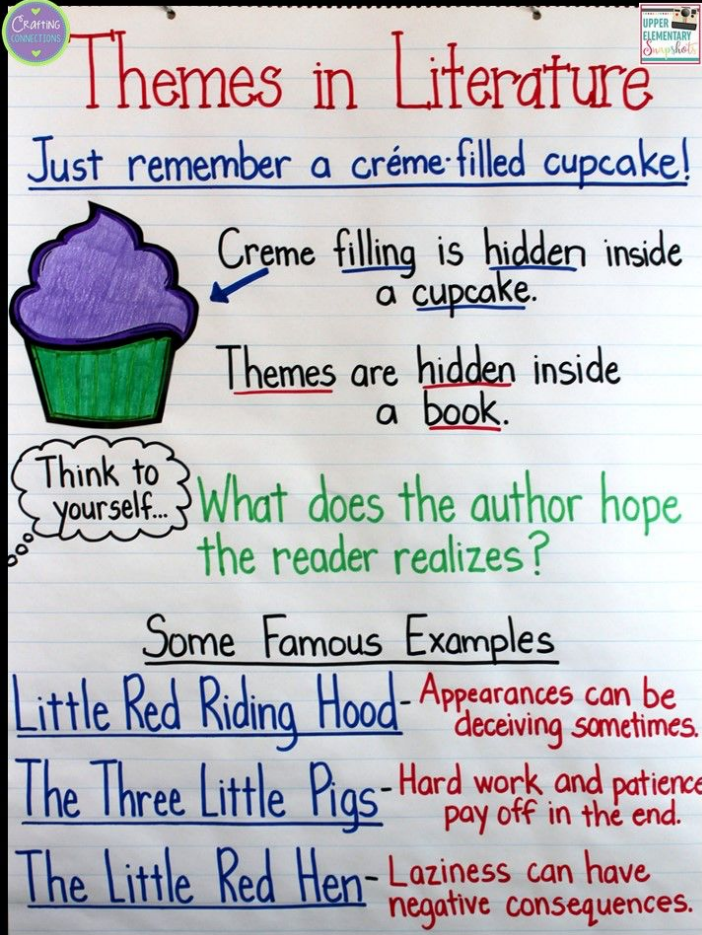
Learn

The theme of a text is the underlying meaning or lesson that the author wants the reader to take away after reading the text. Watch the video linked below for a refresher on theme.

- [Theme Video](#)


Read “Still I Rise” by Maya Angelou. Maya Angelou was an American writer and civil rights activist.

- [Still I Rise](#)



Themes in Literature

Just remember a crème-filled cupcake!



Crème filling is hidden inside a cupcake.

Themes are hidden inside a book.

Think to yourself... What does the author hope the reader realizes?

Some Famous Examples

Little Red Riding Hood - Appearances can be deceiving sometimes.

The Three Little Pigs - Hard work and patience pay off in the end.

The Little Red Hen - Laziness can have negative consequences.

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Practice

Once you have read “Still I Rise,” complete the assignment linked below. On the assignment, you will practice identifying theme.

- [Still I Rise Assignment](#)



Maya Angelou

Practice

Once you are finished with the assignment, use the following guide to help you check your answers:

- Did you write in complete sentences?
- Did you proofread your work for spelling/grammatical errors?
- Do your responses meet the length requirement?
- Did you include textual evidence in your responses?

[Still I Rise Answer Key](#)

Additional Learning (Optional)

If you want to learn more, there are other poems written by Maya Angelou linked below. Her novel, *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*, is also phenomenal.

- [Caged Bird](#)
- [Phenomenal Woman](#)
- [Alone](#)