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# Theme vs. Main Idea Worksheet

## THEME VS. MAIN IDEA REFRESHER

### Theme

- An overall message or lesson
- Tells what you learned from the story
- A story can have more than one theme

### Main Idea

- The primary focus of the story
- Describes the story's main plot point
- A story has only one main idea

### INSTRUCTIONS:

List three books or stories that you have read. For each one, list at least one theme and describe the main idea.



**Book 1:** \_\_\_\_\_

List the theme(s): \_\_\_\_\_

In your own words, briefly describe the main idea of the book or story:

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**Book 2:** \_\_\_\_\_

List the theme(s): \_\_\_\_\_

In your own words, briefly describe the main idea of the book or story:

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**Book 3:** \_\_\_\_\_

List the theme(s): \_\_\_\_\_

In your own words, briefly describe the main idea of the book or story:

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