

# Respect

These characters learn how to show respect to others in the story.

# Honesty

These characters learn to tell the truth even when it may be difficult.

# Acceptance

These characters learn to accept others for their differences.

# Courage

These characters learn to face their fears.

# Be Responsible

These characters learn to do the right thing.

# Compassion

These characters find ways to show concern for other characters that were hurt or suffering.

# Never Give Up!

These characters face challenges and obstacles but they do not give up.

# Kindness

These characters are generous to others in the story.

# THEME

## The message

moral, or lesson.

Sometimes, it's

## Stated

The author tells what the THEME is.  
Fables give the THEME at the end of the story.

Sometimes, it's

## Implied

You have to use the setting and events to find the THEME.  
Most stories are like this.

# Friendship

These characters know what it means to be a good trustworthy friend.

# Common themes