

Name _____ Motif



Theme | Motif | Symbols

While theme, motif, and symbols are all connected within a literary work, each is something distinct.

- The theme is the central idea or message of the work.
- A motif is a recurring feature of a literary work that is related to the theme. The repetition of motifs is one way that authors create theme and mood in a literary work.
- Symbols are images, ideas, sounds, or words that represent something else. Use of symbols adds an additional dimension to the work and helps the reader to understand the theme.

Assigned Reading: _____

1. What is the **theme(s)** of the work?

2. What **motifs** are present?

3. What **symbols** does the author use?