



# Theme vs. Summary

Answer each question in terms of the story's theme and plot.

What is the biggest **problem** or **obstacle** that the main character in the story faces?

What is it?

How does it express theme?

How does the **character** try to solve their problem? How do their personal characteristics contribute to the conflict in the story?

What is it?

How does it express theme?

What **obstacles** prevent them from solving their problem or reaching their story goal, causing more conflict in the story?

What is it?

How does it express theme?

What is the climax of the story? How do you know?

What happens?

How does it express theme?