

using “LET IT GO” to teach theme

**Analyzing “Let it Go”
Questions to Consider**

- How does the author use figurative language?
- Is there a rhyme scheme?
- What is happening in this song or poem?
- What challenge is the speaker facing?
- How does the speaker respond to the challenge?
- For what is the snowstorm a metaphor?

THE MESSAGE
I can determine the theme of a story or poem text.
The statement might sound like ...
Others the way you want to be treated.

I believe the theme of this poem is ...
because ...
Determine which of the following could/could not be supported by the poem.
a. ...
b. ...
c. ...
d. ...
Which of the following details support the theme?
a. Lines 1-2
b. Line 23
c. Line 39
d. Lines 21-22
What challenge is the speaker facing?
a. The speaker/narrator being stuck in a dangerous situation.
b. The speaker/narrator's feelings about others and their opinions.
c. The speaker/narrator's decision and is not sure.
d. The speaker/narrator is seen as weak by crying.
How do you feel about the story's theme? (circle)
4 (I'm a pro! I can teach!)
3 (I've got it. I can do it.)
2 (I'm working on it. I am almost there!)
1 (Please help! I am overwhelmed. I am like a small group re-

Reviewing Theme Using “Let it Go”

Friends,

In this download, you’ll find the resources I used when reviewing/practicing theme with my 5th graders. We spent one day on this “Let it Go” lesson. It is a simple lesson, but a great review.

On the 3rd page, you’ll find a blank left side. This is where I included the lyrics to “Let it Go.” It is a copyright violation for me to distribute them, so a simple Google search will lead you to the lyrics!

A huge shout-out to [KG Fonts](#) and [Rowdy Fonts](#) for their creativity!

I hope you and your students love this lesson!

-Catherine

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Determining Theme

I can determine the theme of a poem or story using details in a text.

I believe the theme of this poem is...

because...

Determine which of the following themes could/could not be supported by details in the poem.

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.

Which of the following details does not help support the theme?

- a. Lines 1-2
- b. Line 23
- c. Line 39
- d. Lines 21-22

What challenge is the speaker/narrator facing?

- a. The speaker/narrator is nervous about being stuck in a dangerous snowstorm.
- b. The speaker/narrator feels controlled by others and their opinions and expectations.
- c. The speaker/narrator is facing a big decision and is not sure what choice to make.
- d. The speaker/narrator does not want to be seen as weak by crying in front of others.

How do you feel about determining a poem or story's theme? (circle a number please)

4 (I'm a pro! I can teach others this skill.)

3 (I've got it. I can do this independently.)

2 (I'm working on it. I still need practice but am almost there!)

1 (Please help! I am overwhelmed and would like a small group re-teach.)