



# Comparing Texts

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: Grade 5

## Part A: Fill in the Blank

Write the missing word or number on each line.

1. A fable and a realistic fiction story can both teach a \_\_\_\_\_ about honesty.
2. The theme of a text is the underlying \_\_\_\_\_ the author wants readers to take away.
3. A poem about courage and a biography about a brave leader may share the same \_\_\_\_\_ even though their genres differ.
4. In fiction, themes are often revealed through a character's actions and \_\_\_\_\_.
5. In nonfiction, a central message may be supported by facts, examples, and \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Comparing themes across genres shows that important ideas are \_\_\_\_\_ and appear in many forms of writing.
7. A myth explains natural events through \_\_\_\_\_ characters, while a science text explains them through research.
8. When two texts share a theme but differ in genre, comparing them helps readers see the theme from multiple \_\_\_\_\_.
9. A reader can identify theme by asking what the author wants them to \_\_\_\_\_ after reading.

## Part B: Matching

Match each item on the left to the correct answer on the right.

1. Match each item to its correct answer.

Fable about a tortoise who never gives up and wins a race

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persistence leads to success (nonfiction profile)

News article about a student who practiced daily and won a spelling

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persistence leads to success (poetry/symbolism)

## Answer Key · Comparing Texts · Grade: Grade 5

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2. The theme of a text is the underlying message the author wants readers to take away.
3. A poem about courage and a biography about a brave leader may share the same theme even though their genres differ.
4. In fiction, themes are often revealed through a character's actions and choices .
5. In nonfiction, a central message may be supported by facts, examples, and evidence .
6. Comparing themes across genres shows that important ideas are universal and appear in many forms of writing.
7. A myth explains natural events through imaginary characters, while a science text explains them through research.
8. When two texts share a theme but differ in genre, comparing them helps readers see the theme from multiple perspectives .
9. A reader can identify theme by asking what the author wants them to understand after reading.

### Part B: Matching

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Match each item on the left to the correct answer on the right.

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Fable about a tortoise  
who never gives up  
and wins a race

→ persistence leads to success (moral tale)

persistence leads to  
success (nonfiction  
profile)

News article about a  
student who practiced  
daily and won a  
spelling bee

→ persistence leads to success (journalism)

persistence leads to  
success  
(poetry/symbolism)