

# *"Seventh Grade" Analysis*

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Answer these questions from the story "Seventh Grade" that we read in class. All of your answers must be well thought out and written in complete sentences.

1. Who was the protagonist of the story?
2. Write a couple of sentences describing the setting of the story.
3. What was the main conflict that the protagonist had to overcome in the story?

## **Theme**

What is a theme? Our literature book defines theme as a central message, concern, or purpose in a literary work. A theme can be expressed as a general statement about human beings or about life. The theme of a work is not a summary of its plot, but instead is the writer's central idea.

**To help you grasp the idea of theme, think about what message the author was trying to get across to the reader in the story "7<sup>th</sup> Grade". In the space below and on the back of this paper, write a brief paragraph stating what you think the theme was.**