



Comparing Themes and Plots

Today's Standard

3.RL.9 - Compare and contrast the themes, settings, and plots of stories written by the same author about the same or similar characters (e.g., in books from a series).

| Cues | Notes |
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| What is a theme? | Theme: The underlying message or main idea of a story. |
| How do you compare settings? | Settings: Compare by looking at where and when the story takes place. |
| What is a plot? | Plot: The sequence of events in a story. |
| How can you find similarities in stories? | Similarities: Look for common elements in themes, settings, and plots. |
| Why is it important to compare stories? | Importance: Helps understand the author's style and character development. |

Summary

Comparing themes, settings, and plots in stories by the same author helps students understand literature better and recognize the author's style.