

Cornell Notes

Comparing Themes in Literature

Today's Standard

4.RL.9 - Compare and contrast the treatment of similar themes and topics (e.g., opposition of good and evil) and patterns of events (e.g., the quest) in stories, myths, and traditional literature from different cultures.

Cues	Notes
What is a theme?	A theme is the underlying message or main idea of a story.
How can themes be compared?	Themes can be compared by analyzing how different stories address similar topics or ideas.
What are common themes in literature?	Common themes include good vs. evil, the quest, love, and friendship.
How do different cultures approach similar themes?	Different cultures may have unique ways of presenting similar themes, influenced by their traditions and values.
What is the significance of comparing themes?	Comparing themes helps students understand universal ideas and appreciate cultural diversity in literature.

Summary

Understanding and comparing themes in literature allows students to recognize universal ideas and appreciate the diversity of cultural storytelling.