

# Inferring Multiple Themes

TITLE	TOPIC: THEME STATEMENT	TOPIC: THEME STATEMENT	TOPIC: THEME STATEMENT
<i>Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry</i> , Mildred D. Taylor	<b>Racism:</b> People can stand up to racism and make a difference.	<b>Land:</b> Owning land brings a sense of independence and control.	<b>Community:</b> Standing together means no one stands alone.
<i>Fahrenheit 451</i> , Ray Bradbury	<b>Censorship:</b> Society should not dictate what people can and cannot read.	<b>Technology:</b> Abuse of technological advances results in dangerous consequences.	<b>Passivity:</b> If people do nothing, they passively usher in dictatorship.
"Eleven," Sandra Cisneros	<b>Growing Up:</b> Getting older includes the reality that every age lives within each person throughout life.	<b>Self-Confidence:</b> Confidence is gained in little steps as the younger "selves" within learn and grow.	<b>Unfairness:</b> Children should be able to trust their teachers, but authority doesn't always include justice.
<i>To Kill a Mockingbird</i> , Harper Lee	<b>Good versus Evil:</b> Good overcomes evil when good people stand up for what is right.	<b>Prejudice:</b> Prejudice against others is wrong because all people are made equal.	<b>Growing Up:</b> Growing up is hard because you learn that justice doesn't always prevail.
<i>Encounter</i> , Jane Yolen	<b>Change:</b> Change isn't always good.	<b>Authority:</b> Just because someone is stronger doesn't make them right.	<b>Children:</b> Children can share wisdom with their elders, but the elders have to listen.
"The Gettysburg Address," Abraham Lincoln	<b>Duty:</b> It is every American's duty to carry the burden of winning the War.	<b>Patriotism:</b> Allegiance to patriotism can unify a nation.	<b>Equality:</b> All men are created equal.
"I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings," Maya Angelou	<b>Confinement:</b> Being confined causes the heart to cry for freedom.	<b>Freedom:</b> Every man and creature deserve the right to be free.	<b>Oppression:</b> No man is meant to be oppressed by another.