How do a character’s choices and changes help you understand the theme of a story?

CCSSR1—read carefully to analyze a character’s development (CCSSR3); CCSSR5. **Analyze** how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger parts of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole.

**Story:** ______________________________________________________

What happened—list the important events.

**How it starts:** ________________________________________________

**What happens next?** __________________________________________

**How it ends.** ________________________________________________

Who is the most important character? ________________________________

What are two important choices or actions that character makes?

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**How does the character change during the story?** ____________________________

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What’s the **theme**?

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Why do you think that is the theme? Support your answer with examples from the story.

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