**Template for Theme**

1. The theme of the text is

2. The author develops the theme through/by

* + **the character’s decisions OR**
  + **the character’s actions OR**
  + **the conflict of the text** **OR**
  + **The resolution of the conflict.**

3. For example, the author explains, “ .”

4-5. Explanation🡪 how the author’s development of above proves that the theme is what you wrote in the 1st sentence

**Template for Central Idea**

1. The central idea of the text is
2. The author develops the central idea through
   * **Supporting details** (examples, statistics, descriptions, quotes, analogies) **OR**
   * **Text structure** (cause/effect, compare/contrast, problem/solution)
3. For example, the author explains, “ .”
4. Explanation🡪 explain how the author’s development of the central idea proves that the central idea is what you wrote in the 1st sentence