

Truth or True

Does it stay in the story, or travel into life? Sort each statement and prove it with the passage.



Grades 3 to English II

The Last Leaf

LITERARY . LEVEL 1

1 Nora stood at the window and watched the old oak tree in the yard. All summer long, the tree had been her favorite place to read and dream. Now its branches were nearly bare, and only one golden leaf still held on.

2 "That leaf is just like me," Nora whispered to her mother. "I do not want to let go of this house either." Her family was moving to a new city in three days, and Nora had not packed a single box.

3 Her mother sat beside her and looked at the tree too. "Let me tell you what happens after the last leaf falls," her mother said softly. Nora shook her head. "The tree rests all winter, and in spring, brand new leaves grow in, even stronger than before."

4 Nora looked at the leaf again. A gust of wind pulled it loose, and it spiraled slowly to the ground. She watched it land softly on the grass. Then she turned to her room and reached for the first empty

STATEMENT 1 OF 1

Read the statement card. Which kind of statement is it?

Nora's family is moving to a new city in three days.

TRUE: In This Passage (key 1)

Tells about the particular people, events, or situation in this passage.

TRUTH: Beyond This Passage (key 2)

A bigger idea about life or people that this passage supports.

YES! TRUE: IN THIS PASSAGE

This tells a fact about this particular family in this story.

From the passage, paragraph 2:
"Her family was moving to a new city in three days"

WHAT STUDENTS DO

- Read the passage, then read a statement card.
- Sort it: TRUE, TRUTH, or Sounds Wise but Not Supported.
- Check the reason from the passage.

WHAT TEACHERS GET

Sounds wise traps. Most rounds add statements that sound wise but are not supported.

Results. Each finished game reports with the class code, the teacher last name, and a student identifier, never a real name.

Play modes. Teacher only on the SmartBoard, or students on their own with the RLA Learning LAB.

TRUE tells about this story. **TRUTH** reaches beyond this story, but the story must support it.

TEKS COVERED

TEXAS TEKS FOR THIS GAME

3.8(A) Infer the theme of a work, distinguishing theme from topic. 3.7(C), 4.7(C), 5.7(C), 6.6(C), 7.6(C), 8.6(C) Use text evidence to support an appropriate response. 4.8(A) Infer basic themes supported by text evidence. 5.8(A) Infer multiple themes within a text using text evidence. 6.7(A), 7.7(A) Infer multiple themes within and across texts using text evidence. 8.7(A) Analyze how themes are developed through the interaction of characters and events. English I 6(A) Analyze how themes are developed through characterization and plot in a variety of literary texts. English I 5(C) Use text evidence and original commentary to support a comprehensive response. English II 6(A) Analyze how themes are developed through characterization and plot, including comparing similar themes in a variety of literary texts representing different cultures. English II 5(C) Use text evidence and original commentary to support an interpretive response.

SORT EACH STATEMENT

TRUE in this passage, TRUTH beyond it, or Sounds Wise but Not Supported, with the reason from the passage.

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Numbered paragraphs on the left.

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STATEMENT CARD

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REASON FROM TEXT

Every answer quotes the passage.

REMEMBER

A theme travels beyond the story, but it never leaves its evidence behind. Students can hide the passage and read each statement card before they sort.

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See Results

EVERY ANSWER COMES WITH THE SENTENCE FROM THE PASSAGE THAT PROVES IT.

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