



Theme or Summary?

The theme is a statement the author is making about a topic through the literary work. A summary is a brief statement that tell you the main points of a text.

DIRECTIONS: Read each sentence. Is it a summary of a story or a statement of theme? Circle the correct answer.

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| 1. A man who has lost everything contemplates his past choices. | theme | summary |
| 2. Shared problems are easier to bear. | theme | summary |
| 3. A workaholic almost loses his family when he pursues the deal of a lifetime. | theme | summary |
| 4. Choose a job that you love, and you will never work a day in your life. | theme | summary |
| 5. Fear itself is often more dangerous than the thing you think you are afraid of. | theme | summary |
| 6. It is up to you how you define success. | theme | summary |
| 7. While in the midst of a divorce, a man rediscovers himself on an impromptu vacation. | theme | summary |
| 8. Behind every successful man is a childhood disappointment. | theme | summary |