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The Little Match Girl

Open-Ended Response Questions

1. Discuss the themes of poverty and hardship in "The Little Match Girl." How do these themes contribute to the overall impact of the story?
2. Analyze the symbolism of the matches in the narrative. What do they represent in terms of the Little Match Girl's hopes and dreams?
3. Explore the contrast between the harsh reality of the Little Match Girl's life and the fleeting moments of warmth and happiness she experiences through the matches. How does this contribute to the emotional impact of the story?
4. Reflect on the message or lesson conveyed by "The Little Match Girl." What can readers learn from her story, and how does it resonate with people today?

