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## Trouble on the Outlaw Trail

### Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. A specific moment of Billy Joe's determination and courage being put to the test was during the showdown when he had to decide whether to side with the law or the outlaws. He responded by choosing to stand with the law and help capture the outlaws, despite the danger.
2. The theme of choices and consequences is evident as Billy Joe's decisions, such as following the outlaw trail and choosing to stand with the law, shaped his path in the Old West and led to specific outcomes.
3. Billy Joe's decision to stand with the law aligned with his dream of becoming a legendary cowboy because it showed that he valued honor and justice over lawlessness.
4. Billy Joe's transformation throughout the story showcased his growth from a curious teenager to a respected cowboy who learned the importance of making the right choices and upholding the law of the land.

