Same Genre, Different Adventures

How two mysteries or adventures tell one theme



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Today we will...

WE ARE LEARNING TO

- Spot genre clues in mystery and adventure stories
- Find a shared theme in two stories
- Explain different approaches with story details

SUCCESS LOOKS LIKE

- ✓ I can name the genre and theme
- ✓ I can give one similarity and one difference with proof





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What Makes a Genre?



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Same Theme, Different Handling

- Theme = big idea, like courage or curiosity.
- Same genre shares clues, jobs, and settings.
- Authors choose different problems and endings.

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Think, pair, share

Two lost-map stories: one funny, one scary — still same genre?



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Watch: Comparing Same-Genre Stories



▶ 0:00 – 5:00

- Listen for genre clues
- Spot the shared theme

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How Comparing Makes You Stronger

Notice both stories are in the same genre, mystery or adventure



Find the same theme like curiosity



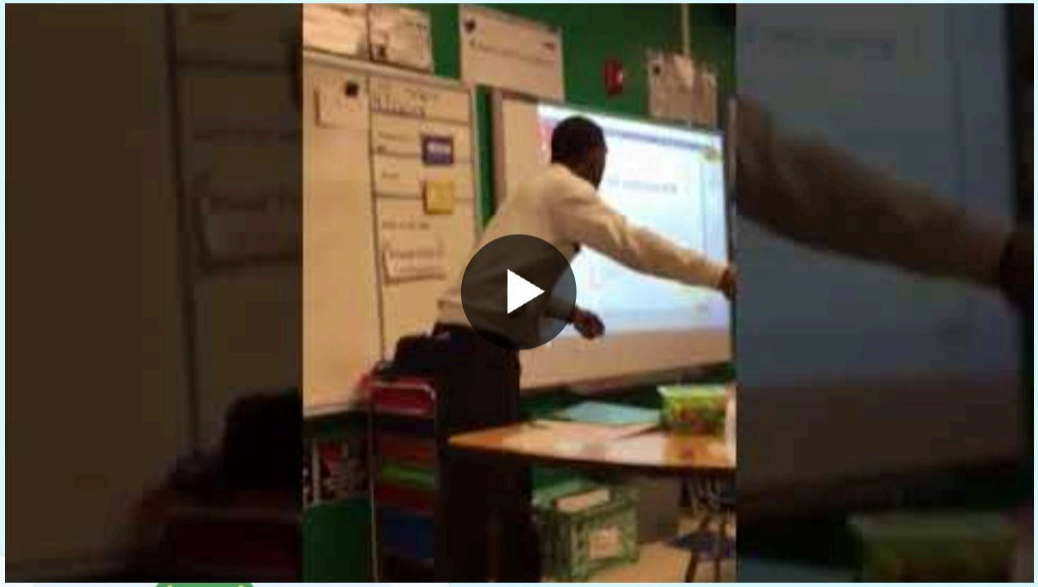
Spot how each author treats it



Explain which way works and why

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Watch: Themes Side by Side



▶ 0:00 – 5:00

- How is curiosity shown differently?
- Which details prove it?

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Your task

In pairs, invent two short adventure openings on the same theme.

1. Pick theme: curiosity pulls you from safety.
2. Student A tells a map idea in 3 sentences.
3. Student B tells a boat idea in 3 sentences.
4. List one similarity and two differences.

10 min

In pairs

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What to Compare



Characters

Who acts and how they solve it.



Setting

Where safety ends and unknown starts.

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Problem

What clue or choice starts action.



Theme Lesson

What curiosity or courage teaches here.

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Your Pick

Which approach to curiosity do you like better?

- **A** Slow mystery with hidden clues
- **B** Fast adventure that leaves home quickly
- **C** Both — depends on my mood

Vote with your hands, then explain why.





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True or false?

Stories in the same genre must have the same ending.

Theme is the big idea, like courage or curiosity.

Comparing means telling how two stories are alike.

Mysteries and adventures never share themes.

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