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Notes:

Hyperbole - an extreme exaggeration

example: I have a splitting headache. This describes a painful headache, but my head isn't actually splitting in half.

Flashback - a scene or memory that takes a character back in time, something a character thinks about that has happened in the past

Symbolism - an object or idea that stands for something else

CHAPTERS 10-14

<u>PASSAGE FROM NOVEL</u>	<u>PG #</u>	<u>TYPE OF FIGURATIVE LANGUAGE</u>

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Chapters 10-14 Summary Card
One PARAGRAPH summary goes here

<p>2 quiz questions AND answers</p>	<p>One level 3 question and one level 4 question</p>
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<p>Scene from this section of the novel</p>	<p>What did you draw and WHY is it important?</p>
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Hatchet: THEME

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Theme

When you read a story, you learn something about yourself or the world around you. The way the author writes the story helps you to see things in a new way; it sends you a message about people, life, or the world that he or she wants you to understand. This main message or main idea in a story is called its theme. It's the central idea of a story. The theme can also be considered the "So what?" of a story. It answers questions like these:

- What is the author trying to tell us?
- What did we learn from reading this?
- Why was this story written?
- What's the big idea?

The theme is usually not written specifically in a story. The reader has to think about the plot, the characters, the setting, and other parts of the story in order to discover the theme.

Here are some examples of common themes:

- Sometimes you have to give something up in order to be happy.
- It's always best to be honest.
- Friends do what they can to help other friends.
- When you grow up, you learn more about yourself.
- People can change.
- Life can be very difficult.
- Good can overcome evil.

Conflict often reveals theme. How characters respond to the conflict of the story reveals the message that the author is trying to share with the reader. When sharing a theme from a story, make sure that you include examples from the text to explain your answer. You should be able to prove the theme based on what the characters say or do or the setting of the story or other literary element.

In a paragraph, explain what you think the theme of *Hatchet* is and why you feel this is the appropriate theme.