

THE LAW OF LIFE

COPY MASTER

Text Analysis**THEME**

Theme is the central message communicated by a literary work. Theme often emerges as a set of ideas expressed through literary elements. The answers to the following questions can help you identify a story's theme or themes.

- What is the resolution of the primary **conflict**?
- What traits do the main **characters** display?
- What about the physical or cultural **setting** is significant?
- What **point of view** is used to describe the experiences of the main characters?
- What objects or figures have **symbolic** meaning?
- What does the **title** refer to?

Directions: In the chart, record the answers and details to analyze the theme of “The Law of Life.” An example has been done for you.

Details Revealing Theme	
Conflict	Man vs. Nature—Nature <i>does not wait for, or care about, any man.</i> For man (Old Koskoosh), death is inevitable.
Character	
Setting	
Point of View	
Symbol	
Title	