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Theme in My Life

Dear Family Partner,

We just finished going over theme and have identified possible themes represented in *The Giver*. By creating a thematic collage, I will be able to better relate how the overall meaning of *The Giver* can be applied to my life. I hope you enjoy this activity with me. This assignment is due_____.

Thank you,

(Student Signature)

(If your child has received more than one interactive homework assignment this week, please feel free to ask for extended time. Thanks.)

OBJECTIVES: Students will identify a theme (the overall meaning) of *The Giver* and will relate it to their own life.

MATERIALS: Paper (typing paper/small poster board), markers, computer and/or magazine pictures, and glue

ACTIVITY: Create a thematic collage

PROCEDURE:

Themes found in *The Giver*:

Freedom	Family	Heroism
Bravery	Choice	Value of remembering the past
Individuality	Friendship	

- 1. From the list of themes above, choose the theme that is most represented in your life. What theme are you going to represent in your thematic collage?
- 2. On one half of your paper or poster board, make a collage relating the theme you have chosen to *The Giver*.

3. Then answer the following questions.

 How do you feel this theme is represented in your life?

 Why are the pictures in your collage significant?

4. Who is your family partner? ______

DISCUSSION:

Show your family partner the first half of your thematic collage and explain how it relates to *The Giver*. Then, on the other half of your paper or poster board, create a collage with your family partner depicting how the theme you chose relates to you and your family partner in your community.

5. Your collage should be titled with the theme that you chose and each half should be labeled as either *The Giver* or you.

HOME-TO-SCHOOL COMMUNICATION:		
Dear Family Partner,		
Please give me your reactions to your child's work on this activity.		
Check Yes or No for each statement.		
Yes NO		
1. My child understood the homework and was able to talk about it.		
2. My child enjoyed the activity.		
3. This assignment helped me know what my child is learning in reading.		
Any other comments:		
Family Partner Signature:		
Thank you for your participation,		
Ms. Phillips and Mrs. Shaw		