

Choosing Details to Support a Provided Theme
RL.2 (Grades 4-12)

Provided Theme:

Type of Detail ¹	Example or Quote from Text (Include page, paragraph, or section number)	Explanation of How the Example or Quote Shapes, Refines, Supports, and/or Develops a Theme

¹ See the next page for examples of the types of details that often shape, refine, support, and/or develop themes.

Types of details that often support, refine, shape, and/or develop themes:

- Characterization revealed through a character's appearance, thoughts, description, actions, and dialogue
- Changes in the character's (or narrator's) personality, feelings, attitude, dialogue, thoughts, appearance, or behavior (i.e., cowardly to brave)
- A response to a challenge (conflict) that the main character(s) must face
- Personal revelations and reflections/self-questioning
- Shifts in the setting to mirror character changes
- A characters' response to the setting
- Word choice (imagery, figurative language, pronouns, etc.) and repeated words
- Point of view
- Other literary devices (flashbacks, symbolism, allegory, irony, allusions, etc.)
- Additional detail: _____