

Book Club Focus Assessment and Rubric

Name: _____ **The Wild Robot**
Book Club Focus Assessment

Determining Theme

Directions: Use what you know about evaluating visual content with *The Wild Robot* to answer each of the following questions.

Briefly describe how the theme of "Curiosity Helps us Learn" was supported by one of the following: characters, setting, or story events.

What theme could you determine from this quote from the text?
"better speak with Mr. Beaver. He can build anything. He's a little gruff at times, but if you're extra friendly, I'm sure he'll help you out. And if he gives you trouble, remind him that he owes me a favor."

A Everyone should take care of themselves.
 B Sometimes you help others, and sometimes others help you.
 C If you are mean, you will get what you want.
 D All of the above.
 E None of the above.

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Focus Assessment for Determining Theme



Answer Key **The Wild Robot**
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What theme would the following quote from the text support?
"Some mothers spend their whole lives caring for their young. Some lay eggs and immediately abandon them. Some care for the offspring of other mothers."

A There are many kinds of mothers.
 B Brightbill and Roz are an odd mixture of beings.
 C You are not a mother unless you are the same species.
 D All of the above.
 E None of the above.

Did Roz need Brightbill as much as he needed her?

A No, because she taught him everything.
 B No, because they didn't really need each other, they had the animals.
 C Yes, because she had friends and shelter and help because of him.
 D Yes, because he saved her life.

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Answer Key



Focus Assessment Rubric

Student: _____ Date: _____

CCSS Reading Literature Standard 4.2
Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.

Levels	Beginning	Developing	Proficient	Secure
Correct Answers	0 – 1 Correct	2 – 3 Correct	4 – 5 Correct	6 Correct
Specific Skill: Determining Theme	Is not able or beginning to show how the text supports the theme.	Is able to show how the text supports the theme some of the time.	Is able to show how the text supports the theme most of the time.	Is able to show characters, setting, and events support the theme all of the time.

If student is less than secure, he or she needs to work on the following:

- Summarizing the text.
- Identifying how character thoughts, dialogue, and actions support the theme.
- Relating how the details of the setting support the theme of a text.
- Connecting the story events to the development of the text's theme.
- Identifying how the author communicates his/her message when writing a text.

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Rubric with Optional Common Core Alignment

