

Name _____ Group # _____ Motif _____ H- _____

PART 1: Write a theme statement that is conveyed or shown through this motif. TIPS: Often looking for connections between topics can lead you to a theme. Remember, a theme is a message that applies to most people or is a statement that shows insight about the world. It does NOT talk about specific characters or events from the text.

Sample

Motif: beans

Topics: independence, interdependence, belonging, survival, compassion, adversity, transformation

Theme: Using the motif of beans, Kingsolver says that sometimes the only way to become self-sufficient is to ask for help from others, in order to later provide help to others.

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Topics: Circle the topics which most relate to your assigned motif. Use your motif packet (H-13) to help you.

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| Identity | motherhood | motherhood | depression |
| female experience | abuse / neglect | transformation | courage |
| belonging | immigration | handicaps / | catharsis / rebirth |
| fear | amnesty | obstacles | abandonment |
| responsibility | safety | sanctuaries / safe | Jesus / religion |
| survival | determination | havens | New beginnings / |
| inter-dependence | adversity | miracles | starting over |
| compassion | love | innocence | |
| family | sacrifice | grief / loss | |

Theme: _____

Teacher Signature _____