

THEME is the message about life or human nature that is “hidden” in the story that the author tells

Themes that emerge from my thinking...

Survival, Fear, Love, Responsibility, Leadership, Loyalty, Vengeance

My theme statement is protect the little ones.

Evidence from the text that supports my thinking

- From the back cover – Matt’s Rules of Survival list
- p. 71 “Of course we have to stay with Emmy,”
- p. 73 “But how come there don’t seem to be any rules about when you ought to help others survive...”

How might I apply this lesson to my own life?

Be a hero in the hallway. Protecting the little ones means that I should help students who are bullied. I have learned from Matt that we do have a responsibility to help others survive. By protecting the little ones and standing up to bullying, I know that I can be a hero in the hallway.