

Difference between a *Theme* and a *Theme Topic*

If you're going to read a book and analyze it afterwards, then you might want to know the difference between a ***theme*** and a ***theme topic***.

Often, when we talk about books, we say: This book is about the following theme topics: love, relationships, family, etc...

If you want to be more specific than that, then you need to write some kind of a statement. That statement is called a *theme statement*.

Examples of a *theme topic*:

Theme topics could be *LOVE* or *FAMILY*.

Examples of a *theme statement*:

In *this novel* the *author* suggests that selfish people, who put their ambitions before the needs of others, are incapable of keeping their families together.

Do you see the difference between the two? Now, think of a book you've recently read and try writing a couple of *theme topics* and *theme statements*. You can use the following templates:

Theme Topic Popular *theme topics* discussed in *this book* are: _____.

Theme Statement In *this book*, the *author* argues that _____ (identify and state the author's message for the audience).