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Battles in Terabithia

Directions: Below are eight examples of conflicts from *Bridge to Terabithia*. Sort each one into **Internal Conflict** (inside the character's mind/feelings) or **External Conflict** (a struggle with outside forces such as other people, nature, or circumstances). Write "INTERNAL" or "EXTERNAL" in the blanks provided.

1. Jess feels torn between wanting to pursue art and his father's disapproval.

2. Leslie and Jess face Janice Avery, who bullies kids at school.

3. Jess feels guilty for going to Washington, D.C. with Miss Edmunds when Leslie dies. _____
4. The creek floods, making it dangerous to cross into Terabithia.

5. Jess struggles with jealousy when Leslie beats him in the school races.

6. Jess's sisters constantly tease him and demand chores from him.

7. Leslie tries to stand up to classmates who mock her for being different.

8. Jess battles with grief after Leslie's death. _____

Reflection: Which type of conflict do you think is **harder to overcome**: internal or external? Explain your reasoning.
