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## Symbols of Courage Answer Key

### (Sample Responses)

#### 1. The Sea

- Literal: The vast ocean that Mafatu must cross.
- Symbolic Meaning: Fear, danger, and also the test of true courage.
- Connection: Mafatu's journey across the sea represents his decision to face his deepest fear head-on.

#### 2. The Spear

- Literal: A weapon Mafatu makes and uses to hunt.
- Symbolic Meaning: Strength, survival, and self-reliance.
- Connection: The spear shows that Mafatu can provide for himself and conquer challenges like the wild boar.

#### 3. The Canoe

- Literal: The vessel Mafatu uses to leave his island.
- Symbolic Meaning: Independence, bravery, and the start of transformation.
- Connection: By setting sail alone in his canoe, Mafatu proves he is willing to risk everything to gain courage and honor.