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## Sandwich Your Support Answer Key

### Sample Response

#### Top Bread (Introduction):

Leo's lantern represents the strength that keeps him going when everything around him seems dark and frightening.

#### Filling (Quote):

The author writes, "Light doesn't fear the storm—it simply shines through it."

#### Bottom Bread (Explanation):

This quote shows that Leo's courage, like the lantern's flame, helps him face danger without giving up. The light stands for hope and bravery, guiding him through the storm just as he leads his sister to safety.

### Teacher Notes / Teacher's Guide

**Objective:** Students will practice integrating **direct textual evidence** into their own writing using the **Quote Sandwich** model: introducing, embedding, and explaining a quote effectively.

#### Teaching Tips:

- Begin by illustrating what a "floating quote" looks like and explain why it weakens writing. Then show how a **Quote Sandwich** gives context and meaning.
- Encourage students to use strong **signal phrases** (e.g., *The narrator reveals that...*, *Leo demonstrates this when he says...*, *The author explains...*).
- Emphasize that the **explanation** is just as important as the quote; it connects evidence to interpretation.

**Assessment Tip** - Full credit should go to responses that:

1. Clearly introduce the quote,
2. Correctly cite or embed the text, and
3. Thoughtfully explain how it supports the claim.

Look for writing that shows understanding of *both* the quote's meaning and its connection to the overall theme.