Name _____



Lessons from Jonah

Directions: Read the passage carefully. Think about what the story is really trying to teach or show readers. Then, answer the questions that follow.

Jonah always loved soccer, but he wasn't the best player on the team. At practice, he often missed goals and sometimes tripped over the ball. Some teammates laughed, while others encouraged him to keep trying. Jonah decided to practice every morning before school, running drills in the park even when it rained. Over time, he improved and even scored the winning goal in the final game of the season. After the game, instead of bragging, he thanked his coach and teammates for their support. Everyone clapped, not just because of the goal, but because of how hard Jonah had worked to get there.

Questions:

1. What do you think is the central theme or moral of this story?

2. Which details from the story helped you figure out this theme?

3. How might this message apply to your own life or experiences?

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