Name _____

Lessons from Jonah Answer Key

1. **Possible Themes/Morals:**
    - Hard work and perseverance lead to success.
    - True victory comes from effort and improvement, not just winning.
    - Humility and gratitude make accomplishments more meaningful.
2. **Supporting Details:**
    - Jonah practiced every morning, even in the rain.
    - He improved his skills and scored the winning goal.
    - He thanked his coach and teammates instead of bragging.
3. **Application to Life (Student Response Will Vary):**
    - Students may connect it to studying, sports, hobbies, or challenges they've faced.

Teacher Note:

Guide students to see that **theme is often implied rather than directly stated**. Clues often come from the character's struggles, growth, or final choices. Encourage multiple valid interpretations as long as students can **justify their answers with evidence**.

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