

Themes At Twilight

Directions: Read the poem carefully. Think about the **message** or **big idea** the poet is trying to communicate. Look for repeated images, feelings, or lessons in the poem. Write a one- or two-sentence **theme statement** that captures the central idea of the poem. Support your theme statement by pointing to at least two lines or details from the poem.

The Bridge at Dusk

A quiet bridge spans the silver stream,
Its wooden planks worn smooth by time.
The lanterns flicker with patient glow,
Guiding travelers through twilight's climb.

Each step echoes like a memory,
Carried across from days long gone.
Though shadows lengthen, the bridge still stands,
A faithful thread that pulls life on.



Activity:

1. Write the central theme of the poem in one or two sentences.

2. Underline two lines from the poem that support your theme statement.
3. Share your theme with a partner and compare how your ideas are similar or different.
4. As an extension, write one sentence about how the theme could apply to life today.
