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Setting Grows Theme

Directions: Read the passage below carefully and answer the questions.

In the middle of a crowded city, a small community garden stretched between two tall apartment buildings. Children watered rows of tomatoes while neighbors pulled weeds and shared tools. Even with car horns honking nearby, the garden was filled with laughter and the smell of fresh soil. People who hardly spoke to each other before now gathered daily to care for the plants together.

1. What is the setting of this passage?

2. What possible theme or lesson is shown in the story?

3. How does the community garden setting help develop this theme?

4. Imagine the same theme was shown in a mountain cabin. How might the setting change the way the theme is expressed?