## **Standard 2 Seventh Grade Question Samples**

Standard 2: Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.

Seventh Grade Benchmark: Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text; provide an objective summary of the text.

| DOK 1:<br>-<br>-<br>-<br>- | Recall facts or elements of a story Answer factual questions Find answers that are explicitly in the text Use only the text to find the answer                                       | Sample Questions:  - Based on the text, who?  - Based on the text, what happened when?  - Describe the events in the text.  |
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| DOK 2:                     | Apply a skill or concept to a new context Infer based on details within a text Find answers about the text Use schema or background knowledge and the text to answer a question      | <ul> <li>Sample Questions: <ul> <li>Write a summary of the chapter using specific events/items from the text.</li> <li>What themes were present in the story? What character traits and events display this?</li> <li>How did the main character change over the course of the book? What theme does this illustrate?</li> <li>What was the setting of the book? How did the main character react to being placed in that setting? What theme does this show?</li> <li>What major events transformed the characters' identities? What theme does</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| DOK 3:                     |  | this show? Sample Questions:  |
| -<br>-<br>-<br>-           | Use strategic thinking to answer a question Think critically about the events of a story Find answers beyond the text Use the text, scheme, and problem solving to answer a question | <ul> <li>What theme stood out to you the most? Why do you think that?</li> <li>How does the author show (theme) in this story. Give at least five examples from the text.</li> <li>What will you remember about the story a year from now? Why?</li> </ul>  |

## **DOK 4:**

- Extend thinking beyond answering questions to creating new ideas
- Analyze, the text and create a new perspective that can be defended by facts from the text

## Sample Tasks:

- Write an essay comparing the theme of the book to a current issue. Is this theme important to us today? Use three examples from the text and three examples from the current issue.
- Create a spoken word poem about the theme. Use both examples from the text and "real life" to communicate the theme.