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Finding the Theme

Directions: The theme of a story is the big, important idea you take away from reading it. Answer each of the questions in the chart below about "There Were Giants." Then respond to the questions that follow.

	At first	By the end
1. How does Marie feel about the legend of how the lakes were formed?		
2. What does Marie think about needing to take care of Gramps?		
3. How does Marie feel about crossing the lake ice?		

4. Why do you think it is important to the story that the snowshoes Marie uses to get help for Gramps belonged to her great-great-grandfather?

5. Write one sentence that states a theme, or big idea, of the story.
