

UNIVERSAL THEMES AND GENERALIZATIONS

THEMES

1. Change
2. Conflict
3. Order vs. Chaos
4. Patterns
5. Power
6. Structure
7. Systems
8. Relationships

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1. Change

- Change generates additional change
- Change can be either positive/negative
- Change is inevitable
- Change is necessary for growth
- Change can be evolutionary or revolutionary

*- Examples of Bag Joke
- students may come
of w/ their own*

2. Conflict

- Conflict is composed of opposing forces
- Conflict may be natural or human-made
- Conflict may be intentional or unintentional
- Conflict may allow for synthesis and change

3. Order vs. Chaos

- Order may be natural or constructed
- Order may allow for prediction
- Order is a form of communication
- Order may have repeated patterns
- Order and chaos are reciprocals
- Order leads to chaos and chaos leads to order

4. Patterns

- Patterns have segments that are repeated
- Patterns allow for prediction
- Patterns have an internal order
- Patterns are enablers

5. Power

- Power is the ability to influence *others*
- Power may be used or abused
- Power is always present in some form
- Power may take many forms (chemical, electrical, political, mechanical)