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The Thief and His Mother

Worksheet · Grades 5–8



Comprehension Questions

1. What did the boy steal first, and how did his mother react?
2. Describe how the boy's actions escalated over time.
3. What was the consequence of the boy's thefts when he reached adulthood?
4. How did the mother feel when she saw her son being led away for execution?
5. What lesson did the boy learn about his mother's earlier reactions to his stealing?

Vocabulary Exercise

Match the words on the left with their meanings on the right.

Word	Meaning
1. Steal	A. To take something that isn’t yours
2. Commend	B. To express sorrow or regret
3. Execute	C. To carry out a sentence
4. Upbraid	D. To praise or express approval
5. Natural	E. In accordance with what is expected

Writing Reflection Task

Reflect on the moral of the story. Answer the questions below in the spaces provided.

1. What do you think is the main lesson of the story?

2. How could the mother's actions have changed the outcome for her son?

3. Have you ever faced a situation where a small mistake led to bigger problems? Describe what happened.

Remember:

The story teaches us that our actions have consequences, and it's important to address mistakes early to prevent larger issues in the future.