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The Paper Lantern Festival

Read the short passage and answer the questions.

Every year, Aria's village held a lantern festival.

This year, Aria wanted to make a lantern that represented her grandmother's stories.

She designed a lantern covered with drawings of mountains, rivers, and birds — symbols of courage and hope.

When Aria's lantern floated into the night sky, its warm glow reminded her of her grandmother's wisdom.

Aria realized that stories live on when they are shared.

Questions:

I. What was special about Aria's lantern?
2. What did the drawings on the lantern symbolize?
3. How did Aria feel when her lantern floated into the sky?
4. What message does the story teach?
5. Give one possible theme for this story.