Common Themes in Historical Fiction

Acceptance

Accept the differences and beliefs of others.

Change

Sometimes it is easier to change a law than it is to change people’s minds.

Compassion

Show compassion for others by helping them in times of need.

Courage

It takes courage to stand up to bullies.

Equality

Treat all people equally.

Freedom

All citizens in the United States should enjoy the same freedoms allowed by law.

Hardship

Families need to work together in difficult times to overcome hardships.

Heroism

Heroism takes courage and a sense of pride.

Honesty

Be honest if you want people to believe you.

Loss

Family and friends are supportive in times of loss.

Perseverance

Never give up and try your best to accomplish your dreams.

Social justice

All citizens should have access to the same resources and opportunities.