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Unpacking the Text – Theme

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| **Craft Technique** | **Example from Text** |
| Character’s Actions/Thoughts |  |
| Diagloue |  |
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My thinking:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Unpacking the Text – Theme - EXAMPLE

Book: Henry’s Freedom Box

Possible Themes: Freedom/Equality/Fairness

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| **Craft Technique** | **Examples from Text** |
| Character’s Actions/Thoughts | Henry rushed to the center of town, and watched his wife and children disappear down the road. |
| Diagloue | Henry’s mom says, “Do you see those leaves blowing in the wind? They are torn from the trees live slave children are torn from their families.”  Henry’s master says, “You are a good worker, Henry. I am giving you to my son. You must obey him and never tell a lie.”  Henry’s new master yelled, “Do not tear that tobacco leaf!” Then, he poked him with a stick.  Henry’s friend whispers, “Your wife and children were just sold at the slave market.”  Henry says, “I will mail myself to a place where there are no slaves!” |
| Perspective/Point of View |  |
| Figurative Language |  |

My thinking – The author uses a lot of dialogue to show how unfairly slaves were treated.