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RESOURCE #2: Analyze Theme

Answer these questions as you read to analyze the theme of the book. Give evidence from the text to support each of your answers.

CHAPTERS 1–5
1. Describe Tom Sawyer’s character. What things are most important to him? How does he treat other people?
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CHAPTERS 6–10
2. How do Tom and Huck feel about what they witness in the graveyard? What choices do they have to make?
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CHAPTERS 11–15
3. How does Twain describe the boys’ adventures camping out? How do the adventures compare to their experiences in school? How does Twain seem to feel about nature and civilization?
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CHAPTERS 16–20
4. How does Tom surprise Aunt Polly? Why do you think he takes the schoolmaster’s punishment in Becky’s place?
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CHAPTERS 21–25
5. What conflicts does Tom feel about telling the truth about the murder? What finally wins out for him?
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CHAPTERS 26–30
6. What new trouble does Tom and Huck get into? What good deeds do they do?
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CHAPTERS 31–35
7. How does Tom behave in the cave? What does Tom tell Huck he must do before they become robbers together?
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8. What is a lesson or message about life in *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*?
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