## Themes in Walk Two Moons

- 1. You need to do your best to make your family happy, but they may not appreciate what you do-ls it important to show others how much we appreciate them and why?
- 2. Don't judge others before you know them. First impressions aren't always right. We need to find out the truth, but the first time you meet someone you don't really know them. Chanhassen wanted to do things by herself. She didn't need to be taken care of.
- 3. Life doesn't stop after someone dies. You can learn to be happy again. A tragedy doesn't have to ruin your life. Ben, Sal, Phoebe, Chanhassen, John, Margaret, Gram and Gramps
- 4. You can mature even without your parents. friends, other family...learn to depend on the people who are there.
- 5. Learning to communicate with your friends and family is essential..misunderstandings can cause problems. Learn to solve the misunderstanding. Who experienced them in the novel?
- 6. We shouldn't give up on something that is very important to us.
- 7. Abandonment can change the family's whole life.
- 8. Our imaginations can sometimes hinder our knowledge.
- 9. Life is difficult but there is always hope.
- 10. We need to find out the truth, don't see outside
- 11. You need to have confident with your partner.
- 12. We need to have respect for our parents.
- 13. Don't put others in the cage.
- 14. Treat others as you want to be treated.
- 15. Happiness depends upon ourselves.
- 16. The road of life are describing by heart. Therefore, no matter how severe situation of itself in our mind, we should be optimistic all the time.
- 17. In our life time we have to appreciate and acknowledge those who are important to us
  - 18. "Don't judge a man until you've walked two moons in his moccasins." (Empathy as a means of understanding)
  - 19. "Everyone has his own agenda."
  - 20. "In the course of a lifetime, what does it matter?" (Keeping the big picture in mind)
  - 21. "You can't keep the birds of sadness from flying over your head, but you can keep them from nesting in your hair." (Dealing with sadness or becoming it)
  - 22. "You never know the worth of water until the well is dry." (Cherishing what we have while we have it)
  - 23. Being ashamed of your background
  - 24. The difficulty of confronting the truth
  - 25. The power of stories in the human experience
  - 26. The complications of romance
  - 27. The risks one takes in being totally honest

- 28. Sympathy as a means of understanding
- 29. The fine line between what should be public and private
- 30. How anticipation can take control of us
- 31. Nature as a source of contentment, beauty and strength
- 32. The ambiguity experienced in first love
- 33. Belief and hope as a source of strength and survival
- 34. Respect
- 35. The search for truth
- 36. Apology as a means of moving forward
- 37. Selfishness as an obstacle to understanding the emotions and needs of others