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Title: The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle

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You shouldn't judge someone based on their wealth and social class.	Setting: On board the Seahawk, traveling across the Atlantic Ocean. 1832 Characters: Charlotte Doyle: a 13 year old girl from a wealthy family. Captain Jaggery: Wealthy captain of the ship. Crew: The crew of the Seahawk is poor and rough. Their clothes and appearance are dirty and ragged. Problem: Charlotte is the only female on board the ship. She doesn't know who to trust and judges people on their class. Solution: Charlotte is discovering more about the crew by spending time with them. She is showing that she cares about Zachariah.	Setting: The time period is important because it was a time when it was proper to discriminate against people based on their social class. Charlotte has been raised by her family to believe that she can only trust rich people. The ship is important because it forces Charlotte to spend a long period of time (3 month) with people who are different than her. Also, on the ship she is away from her family so she can form opinions of her own. Characters: It is important that Charlotte Doyle is rich and sheltered. At the beginning of the story she is very snobby and believes that poor people are bad. By spending time with the crew she learns that she shouldn't judge people on their wealth. Captain Jaggery is important because he is wealthy and at first, Charlotte is charmed by his appearance and manners. She comes to realize that he is actually cruel and violent and shouldn't be trusted just because he is rich.

The crew is important because they are poor and Charlotte originally thinks that they are not trustworthy. By spending time with them she comes to realize that many of them are actually nice.

Problem: At first, Charlotte chooses who to trust based on class. She trusts Jaggery because he is wealthy and doesn't trust the crew. This shows that class is an important theme in this book because Charlotte is judging people based on their wealth.

Solution: Charlotte changes the way that she judges people. Instead of judging them on their wealth she begins to judge people based on how they treat her and how they treat other people. This reveals the theme that people shouldn't be judged based on their social class.