Dark They Were, and Golden-Eyed

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**Sensory Details:** Any time the author describes someone or something with one or more of the five senses: Sight, Sound, Smell, Taste, and Touch.

**Theme:** The main idea or life lesson that the author wants the reader to know.

**Directions:** Open the textbook to page 478. Read “Connect to Your Life,” “Build Background,” and the “Active Reading/Visualize” sections.

Then read the story beginning on page 479. As you read, pay attention to the sensory details the author uses and identify what sense they rely on. Complete the chart below and on the next page. The first 2 are done for you. Finally, answer the questions about theme after you’ve read the story.

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| Page and  Paragraph #’s | Sensory Details. Write the exact words as they appear in the story. | What sense is described by this sensory detail? |
| Example #1  Pg. 479  Paragraph 1 | Its lid gave a bulging *pop.* | Sound |
| Example #2  Pg. 479.  Paragraph 2 | The man felt his hair flutter and the tissues of his body draw tight as if he were standing at the center of a vacuum. | Touch |
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| Page and  Paragraph #’s | Sensory Details. Write the exact words as they appear in the story. | What sense is described by this sensory detail? |
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In your own words, what is the theme of this story? Your answer must be a complete sentence.

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What evidence supports your answer? Use examples from the story to show your theme is correct.

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