

Discuss the theme in *The Hockey Sweater*.

Use the information below to create a thematic literary paragraph.

Story: The Hockey Sweater

Author: Roch Carrier

Theme: Love the game.

Quotes:

“our real life was on the skating-rink”

“real strength appeared on the skating rink”

“the real leaders showed themselves on the skating rink”

“On the ice, when the referee blew his whistle the two teams would rush at the puck”

Notes:

- Use school to strategize and prepare for the next game
- At first, Carrier refused to wear the Toronto Maple Leafs sweater; but when the game started Carrier was eager to play – despite his blue sweater.
- “When the referee blew his whistle [Carrier] went to take [his] usual position,” but was quickly taken off the ice by the coach.

