# Theme and Characterization

#### Theme

- is the central idea of a piece of literature
- Sometimes called "the moral of the story"
- For example the theme of "The Three Little Pigs" is to work hard or survival of the fittest.

#### Characterization

• Is how an author provides you information about characters



### Flat and Round Characters

- Flat Characters
  - Only a few things are known about flat characters
- Round Characters
  - Many characteristics are known about round characters
- Examples in *Shrek* 
  - Flat- Gingy
  - Round- Shrek, Fiona



## Static and Dynamic Characters

- Static Characters
  - don't change during the course of the plot
- Dynamic Characters
  - change during the course of the plot
- Examples in *Shrek* 
  - Static- Farquad
  - Dynamic- Dragon



