**Thematic Elements:**

Track the development of each of the 4 major themes in the novel. As you read, record significant actions, thoughts, changes, settings, tones, etc. that influence your idea of the theme. Remember to record page numbers. Suggestion: Put each of the following themes at the top of a page and add to each one as you read.

**FAMILY HISTORY AND FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS OR SIBLING RIVALRY:**

Wuthering Heights is the history of two families and how an outsider tries to reconstruct that history.

**ROMANTIC OR ILL-FATED LOVE:**

Wuthering Heights is about the love between Catherine and Heathcliff.

**REVENGE:**

Much of the action of the novel recounts Heathcliff’s revenge against the Earnshaws and Lintons and raises questions about the effects of revenge.

**NATURE VERSUS CIVILIZATION:**

There is a distinction in the novel between the behavior of the Earnshaws which is driven by elemental or natural forces and the actions of the Lintons which are mannered, proper, and socialized.