

The Perils Of Vanity

Directions: Analyze the perils of vanity presented within the short story *The Tale of the Mandarin Ducks*. Cite explicit *textual evidence* as well as draw *inferences* about the drake and the duck to support the idea that vanity can cause many troubles.

Vanity is excessive pride in or admiration of one's own appearance or achievements.

Too much vanity yields many troubles.

Drake		Duck	
Explicit Textual Evidence	Inferences	Explicit Textual Evidence	Inferences

Other than the Perils of Vanity, what other theme is apparent in this text?

Consider: Why is this text included in a unit focused on Courageous Characters?