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“War of the Wall” Reading Questions

1. What is the painter doing that bothers the narrator and his cousin Lou?
2. How does the painter lady annoy the narrator’s mother?
3. What do the narrator and Lou purchase the can of spray paint for?
4. How do the people in the neighborhood feel when they see what the painter lady has created on the wall?
5. What do we find out that the narrator and the painter lady have in common?
6. What is the symbolism of the people painted on the wall?
7. What is the theme of *War of the Wall*?
8. Explaining theme… we discover theme through the characters and their situations. Fill out the graph with details from the story to help prove your theme. Write your answer from #7 below.

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| Comments/Actions of characters: |  |
| Setting: |  |
| Conflicts: |  |

Theme (answer from #7):

Vocabulary:

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|  aroma inscription trance beckon masterpiece |

Complete the story using words from the box:

 Li worked hard on her story. She was hoping to create a **9.)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** that would last for years. Sometimes she got so lost in her thoughts she sat in a **10.)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.** At other times, the sweet **11.)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** of the flowers in her garden made it difficult to stay at her desk. They would **12.)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** to her to join them out in the sunny garden, but Li resisted the temptation. When she finished, she wrote an **13.)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** to dedicate the book to her mother and father.