QUICK CARD: SAM, BANGS & MOONSHINE



Reference	Sam, Bangs & Moonshine by Evaline Ness ISBN-10: 0805003150 ISBN-13: 978-0805003154
Plot	Young, motherless Samantha is left alone daily with only her wild imagination and her pet cat, Bangs, to entertain her. Her neighbor friend, Thomas, relishes and believes her fantastic stories. Her fisherman father encourages her to forsake such "moonshine" for reality and truthfulness. Still, Sam persists in telling whoppers. When her falsehoods nearly cost Thomas and Bangs their lives, she learns a mighty lesson.
Setting	A small island near a large harbor. A fishing village.
Characters	Samantha – the daughter of a New England fisherman, this motherless child invents wild stories to comfort and entertain herself in her father's absence. Samantha's father – a New England fisherman whose wife's death has left him solely responsible for rearing his small, imaginative daughter. His gentle yet stern manner leads his daughter to thoughtfully contemplate her lying and its gravity. Bangs – Sam's loyal and wise cat Thomas – Sam's faithful, believing friend
Conflict	Man vs. Nature Man vs. Himself

Theme	 Lies are dangerous and harmful to you and others. The truth, however plain or painful, is always better. Lying vs. Imagination Moonshine/ Flummadiddle
Literary Devices	Imagery Irony