The story “Through the Tunnel” explains that perseverance and determination can lead to success. In the story, Jerry works hard every day to hold his breath and eventually he could hold his breath for two minutes (281). He also perseveres inside the tunnel and although he struggles, he makes it to the end (282). In both of these examples, Jerry works hard to overcome obstacles and achieve success. This is important because it can empower us to overcome our obstacles and keep trying through all of our trials, and in the end, we too can succeed.

The story “Through the Tunnel conveys the theme that if people push themselves and consistently try to accomplish their goal, it will ultimately pay off. For example, Jerry kept doing his training even when his nose was bleeding and it was hard for him (281). This shows he knew he had to be disciplined if he wanted to accomplish his goal. Also, he consistently worked towards his goal every day (281). This consistency eventually helped him to achieve his goal. So if you push yourself and consistently work hard you can accomplish your goals.