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Wanting to find a challenge and wanting to survive is human nature. The story “The Most Dangerous Game” written by Richard Connell is not just a story about hunting. The story, “The Most Dangerous Game” is making a statement about human nature.

It is human nature to look for a new challenge. For example, General Zaroff lost interest in hunting animals when he had conquered the most difficult ones. They did not thrill or challenge him anymore. He said, “Hunting tigers ceased to interest me some years ago. I exhausted their possibilities you see. No thrill left in tigers, no real danger. I live for danger.” To end his boredom with hunting animals, who had no chance against him, General Zaroff had to invent a new animal that would be able to challenge him. He wanted something with courage, cunning, and reason. He bought an island for the purpose of hunting his new animal. The new animal was humans. This shows the general was looking for a challenge. If the general was not looking for a challenge, he would not have gone to the trouble of buying an island and capturing humans to hunt.

It is also human nature to survive. When Rainsford became the hunttee, he used all his skills and tricks to survive. He played like a fox to lose the general. He made traps to stop the general. Rainsford did not give up his fight to survive. Even though Rainsford did not believe in hunting humans, he had to do so to survive. In the

beginning, before the hunt began Rainsford took a stand against hunting humans. He said, "I'm a hunter, not a murderer." Rainsford wanted to survive. You can see this because he went against his own morals and used all his skills to survive.

In this book the author of "The Most Dangerous Game" is trying to make a statement about human nature. He shows man's desire to be challenged and man's desire to survive.

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