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Reading Comprehension

Culturally Based Stories

The Horse And The Snail

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Directions: Read the passage. Then Watch the video of the story. Answer the questions that follow.

Once upon a time there lived a horse in a big jungle. He was very proud of himself. He saw a snail. After seeing how slowly the snail moved, the horse started teasing him. “Hey, snail! Shall we race.” asked the horse. The snail was very angry with the horse. “Okay let’s do it! We will race on Sunday”, said the snail.

The snail went home and called all the snails to discuss this issue. He told everyone about the race. They made a plan to outsmart the horse. Since all the snails looked alike, they decided to confuse the horse with their intelligence. When

Sunday came they left home very early. They started hiding in places in little distance from each other all the way from the starting point to the finishing line. The race started. The horse ran a little and looked down. It saw the snail ahead of him. The horse increased his pace but the snail was still ahead.

The horse started running harder and faster. However no matter how hard the horse tried, the snail was still ahead of him. The poor horse finally gave up after trying really hard. “Okay! I Lose!” said the humble horse. The snail laughed out loudly. Ha Ha Ha.

Questions:

1. Who are the characters in the story?

2. Why did the horse want to race the snail?

3. What plan did the snail come up with to win the race?

4. How did the snail feel at the beginning of the story compared to the end of the story?
