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READING COMPREHENSION: COMPARING AND CONTRASTING

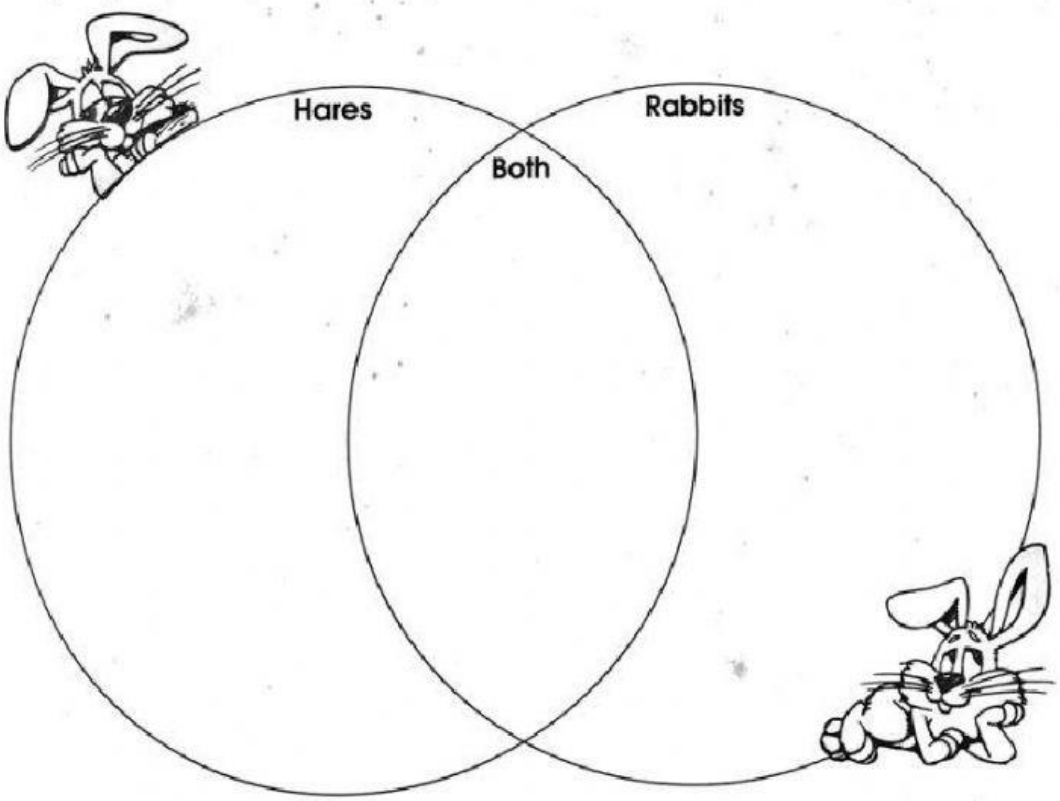
Hares vs. Rabbits

Directions: Read the paragraphs. Then, write ideas from the paragraph in the Venn diagram to compare and contrast hares and rabbits.

Hares and rabbits are related, but they are distinctly different animals. Both long-eared hoppers give birth to live young and nurse them until they are self-reliant. The baby rabbits, called kittens, are born with their eyes closed and have no fur. Baby hares are called leverets and are born with hair and open eyes.

A mother rabbit builds a soft nest lined with fur, while a hare gives birth on the ground. In addition, hares never build burrows as rabbits do. Both animals will hunt and play from dusk until dawn.

A final difference lies in how they respond to danger. A hare will always leap rapidly away. A rabbit will first attempt to hide by remaining very still.



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