

Practice

A parent or tutor should read along with the student, helping as needed.

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When we **compare** two things, we tell how they are *alike*.

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When we **contrast** two things, we tell how they are *different*.
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Here are two stories. As you read, think about how the stories are *alike*, and how they are *different*.

**Fox and Bear**

Fox saw the field being planted with corn. He went to visit Bear, and suggested that they share the field. Fox said he would have the tops of the crop, and Bear would have the roots. When the crop was grown, Bear did not like having only the roots of the corn plants. But it was what they had agreed. The next year, Fox saw the field being planted with turnips. He went to visit Bear. He said that, to be fair, this year Bear would have the tops of the crop, and Fox would have the roots. When the crops were grown, Bear was unhappy again. He had only the bitter tops, while bear had the nice sweet turnips. But it was what they had agreed. However, Bear never agreed to share the field with Fox again.

**Camel and Pig**

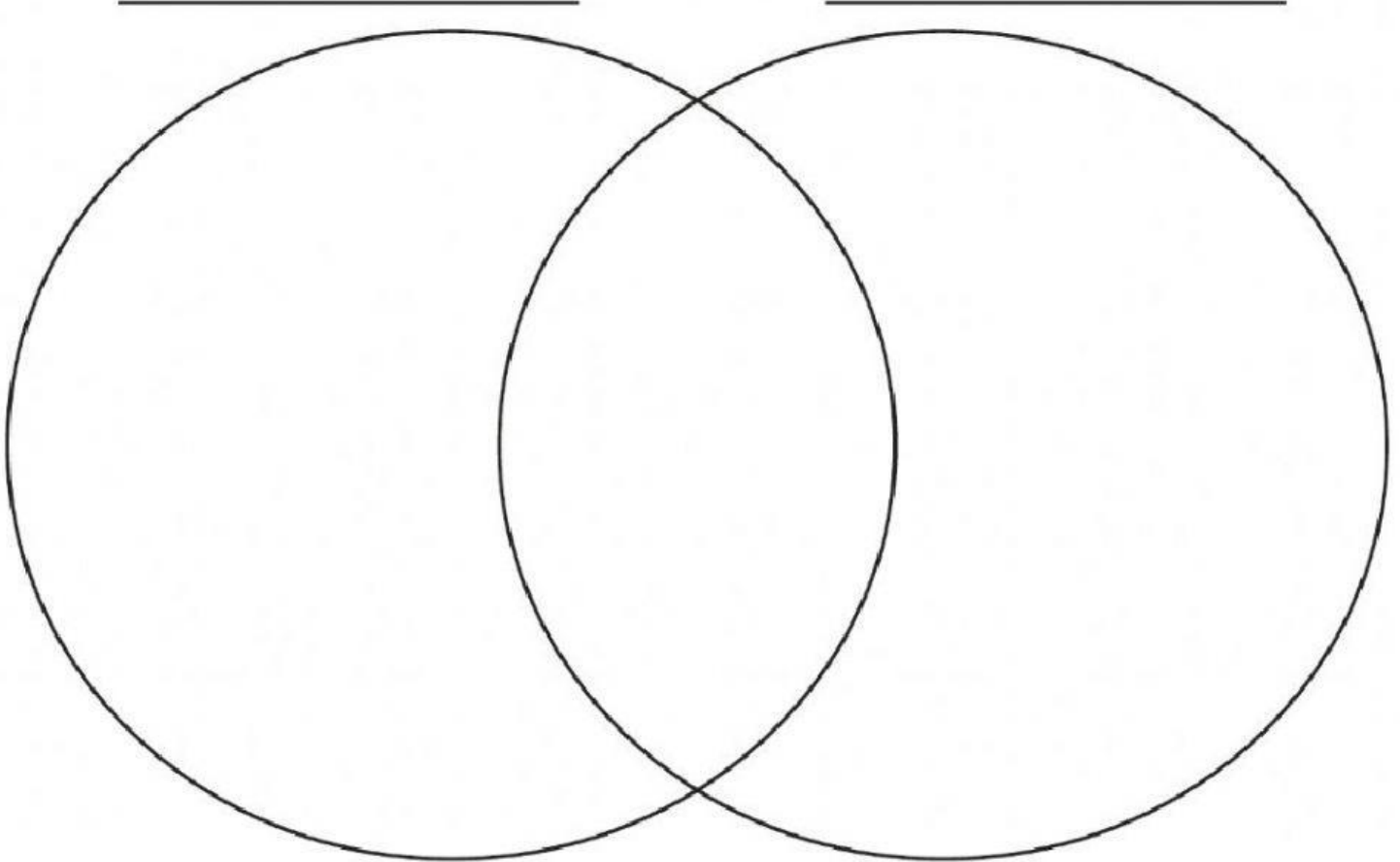
Camel said being tall was best, and Pig said being short was best. Camel said if he was wrong, he would give up his hump. Pig said if he was wrong, he would give up his curly tail. They came to a garden inside a low wall. Camel reached his long neck over the wall and ate his fill. Pig could not even see over the wall. Then they came to a garden inside a high wall, with a covered gate. Pig went through the gate and ate his fill. Camel was too tall to go through the gate. They thought about all this, and decided that Camel would keep his hump, and Pig would keep his curly tail, because, as Pig said, "Tall is good when tall is needed; of short, the same is true."

Some of these details are true of just one of the two stories. Some are true of both stories. Some are not true of either story. Read each detail, and select the best answer.

1. The characters are animals.  
A. "Fox and Bear" only  
B. "Camel and Pig" only  
C. Both stories  
D. Neither story
2. Someone learns a lesson.  
A. "Fox and Bear" only  
B. "Camel and Pig" only  
C. Both stories  
D. Neither story
3. One character is smarter than another.  
A. "Fox and Bear" only  
B. "Camel and Pig" only  
C. Both stories  
D. Neither story
4. The characters disagree about something in the beginning.  
A. "Fox and Bear" only  
B. "Camel and Pig" only  
C. Both stories  
D. Neither story
5. The characters agree about something in the beginning.  
A. "Fox and Bear" only  
B. "Camel and Pig" only  
C. Both stories  
D. Neither story
6. The setting is indoors.  
A. "Fox and Bear" only  
B. "Camel and Pig" only  
C. Both stories  
D. Neither story
7. One character tricks another.  
A. "Fox and Bear" only  
B. "Camel and Pig" only  
C. Both stories  
D. Neither story
8. The characters never agree about anything.  
A. "Fox and Bear" only  
B. "Camel and Pig" only  
C. Both stories  
D. Neither story

Please fill it the compare and contrast with both stories

## Venn Diagram



## Part 2

Here are two stories. As you read, think about how the stories are *alike*, and how they are *different*.

### Cat and Fox

Cat was sitting in the shade of a tree cleaning her paws when a fox came along. Fox sat down and started bragging to Cat about his many clever ways of escaping from Farmer Brown's big dog. "I have a whole bag of tricks," he said, "which contains a hundred ways of escaping that beast."

"I have only one," said Cat. "But I can usually manage with that." Just at that moment they heard Farmer Brown's big dog barking. It sounded like he was coming their way, and Cat quickly ran up the tree and hid herself in the branches. "This is my plan," said the Cat. "What are you going to do?"

Fox thought first of one plan, then another, and while he was debating the dog came closer and closer. When the dog came in sight, Fox took off running for dear life, while Cat continued to clean her paws in safety.

### Dog and Donkey

Dog and Donkey sat in the barnyard, enjoying the morning sun. "The Farmer likes me best," said Dog, thinking to start some fun.

"Nay," said Donkey. "You know I am his favorite."

"Well, here he comes now," said Dog. "We will just see about that."

When the Farmer came into the barnyard, Dog began to dance around, and lick the Farmer's hand. The Farmer laughed, and sat down on the bench so Dog could sit on his lap. The Farmer gave Dog a nice biscuit.

Seeing this, Donkey hopped up and started a prancing imitation of Dog. He put his front feet up on the Farmer's shoulders, and tried to get up into his lap. The Farmer pushed Donkey away, and gave him a scolding. And he didn't give Donkey the apple he had brought in his pocket for him.

Some of these details are true of just one of the two stories. Some are true of both stories. Some are not true of either story. Read each detail, and select the best answer.

1. Two of the characters are animals.  
A. "Cat and Fox" only                      C. Both stories  
B. "Dog and Donkey" only                  D. Neither story
  2. One of the characters is sad in the beginning.  
A. "Cat and Fox" only                      C. Both stories  
B. "Dog and Donkey" only                  D. Neither story
  3. One character says that he is very clever.  
A. "Cat and Fox" only                      C. Both stories  
B. "Dog and Donkey" only                  D. Neither story
  4. One character brags about something in the beginning.  
A. "Cat and Fox" only                      C. Both stories  
B. "Dog and Donkey" only                  D. Neither story
  5. The characters agree about something in the beginning.  
A. "Cat and Fox" only                      C. Both stories  
B. "Dog and Donkey" only                  D. Neither story
  6. One character tries to copy the other one.  
A. "Cat and Fox" only                      C. Both stories  
B. "Dog and Donkey" only                  D. Neither story
  7. One character tricks another.  
A. "Cat and Fox" only                      C. Both stories  
B. "Dog and Donkey" only                  D. Neither story
  8. Both animal characters are happy in the ending.  
A. "Cat and Fox" only                      C. Both stories  
B. "Dog and Donkey" only                  D. Neither story
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