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### Topic: The Parts of a Story

No two stories are exactly alike. Some stories are long. Some are short. Some stories are funny; some are serious. Some tell about things that happen in real life. Others are make-believe. But every story has these three things: **character, setting and plot.**

**The people or animals in a story are the characters.** They may be the kind of people or animals you see every day or they may be imaginary like the teacup in Beauty and the Beast for example.

**The setting is when and where a story happens.** A story's setting may be in a crowded schoolroom one hundred years ago, the character's home, a back yard, a sports stadium or anyplace that fits the plot.

A story must also have a plot. **The plot is the series of events in the story.** It tells what happens. Often a character has a problem. In most stories the problem is solved in the end.

### Something to do

Write **character, setting or plot** to show which part of a story each item describes.

1. Lucy and Linus \_\_\_\_\_
2. just after sunrise \_\_\_\_\_
3. a hot, barren desert \_\_\_\_\_
4. some campers hear noise \_\_\_\_\_
5. a wallet is found \_\_\_\_\_
6. three wise dolphins \_\_\_\_\_
7. a girl rescues a friend \_\_\_\_\_
8. days of the dinosaurs \_\_\_\_\_
9. an imaginary country \_\_\_\_\_
10. last summer on the farm \_\_\_\_\_

