

Narrative Study

***Two Men and the Bear
an Aesop Fable***

Two men were walking down a forest road when they found a bear. One man climbed up a tree and escaped the bear's claws. The other man knew there was nothing he could do, so he dropped to the ground and played dead.

The bear went up to the man and sniffed about his ears. He **pawed** at him a few times. Thinking the man was dead, the bear walked away.

After the bear left, his friend came down from the tree.

"What did the bear say to you, friend, when he whispered in your ear?" asked his friend.

"Oh," answered his friend, "He just told me that I should think before traveling with friends who leave their friends in times of trouble."



Friendship is tested in times of trouble.

Complete the following

Question 1

What is the setting in the story?

Question 3

Character Traits

Write some of the character traits of the characters

Question 2

Who are the main characters of the story?

Question 4

What is the problem in the story?

Question 5

What is the climax?

How did the story end?

Question 6