Two Tales, One Heart

Compare characters, settings, and events in two cultural story versions.

2.RL.3.C "Compare and contrast characters, settings, and plots in two versions of the same story from different cultures (e.g., Cinderella stories)."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline each main character's name. Circle words that show each setting, and number the main plot events in order so you can compare the two versions.

A Kind Gift, Twice Told

1. Version One, Korea: Mina lived in a mountain village. She wore a bright hanbok as she carried rice cakes to her grandmother. On a bridge, a hungry magpie cried. Mina gave the bird one rice cake.

2. The magpie flew to Mina's grandmother's home and dropped a silver key. The key opened a small chest with warm gloves inside. Mina took the gloves to her grandmother, whose hands were cold.

3. Version Two, Mexico: Ana lived in a town near cactus fields. She wore a woven huipil and carried sweet bread to abuela. A thirsty rabbit waited by the path. Ana shared water. The rabbit led her to a shop for a warm shawl for abuela.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. How does each girl help an animal?

2. Compare the settings. Where does each version happen?

3. Compare the plots. What does each animal do after the girl shares?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Write two sentences that compare the stories. In one sentence, tell one way the characters or settings are different. In the other sentence, tell one way the plots are alike.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline each main character's name. Circle words that show each setting, and number the main plot events in order so you can compare the two versions. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	How does each girl help an animal?	**Mina gives a magpie a rice cake, and Ana gives a rabbit water.**
2	Compare the settings. Where does each version happen?	**Mina's story happens in a Korean mountain village, and Ana's story happens in a Mexican town near cactus fields.**
3	Compare the plots. What does each animal do after the girl shares?	**The magpie brings Mina a silver key, and the rabbit leads Ana to a shop.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Mina and Ana live in different places and help different animals. In both stories, a kind girl shares food or water, and the animal helps her get something warm for her grandmother.

Accept reasonable comparisons supported by the passage. For the shared plot, students may explain that both girls help an animal first, and the animal helps the girl afterward.