Turtle Rescue Media

Compare how three formats tell one rescue story.

4.C.4.B "Compare and contrast how ideas and topics are depicted (e.g., animation, famous images and words, music and sound, photo-editing) in a variety of media and formats."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline the words that show what the newspaper article, animated video, and podcast use to tell the rescue story. Write 1, 2, or 3 beside the details for the article, video, or podcast so you can compare them.

One Rescue, Three Formats

1. At Bayview Beach, volunteers rescued a young sea turtle tangled in fishing line. A newspaper article used a large photo of the turtle beside a ruler. The photo showed its small size and the line around one flipper. The article's headline, "Tiny Turtle Gets Help," made readers feel concerned. Its facts explained that volunteers cut away the line and carried the turtle to a rescue center.

2. A short animated video told the same rescue story. The turtle had wide eyes and a shaky voice while waves crashed loudly in the background. When the fishing line was removed, bright music began and the turtle smiled. These animated details made the rescue seem like a brave adventure. Unlike the newspaper photo, the video could show movement and add sounds that were not recorded at the beach.

3. In a podcast, a rescue worker described holding the turtle and hearing it breathe. Listeners heard her calm voice, soft wave sounds, and a cheerful bell after the turtle reached the center. There were no pictures, so listeners had to imagine the turtle. The podcast focused on the worker's feelings and sounds, while the article focused on facts that readers could see in words and a photo.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Compare the newspaper article and the animated video. What does each one use, and how does each depiction make the rescue feel?

2. Which two features can the animated video show or add that the newspaper photo cannot, according to the passage?

3. How is the podcast different from the newspaper article in the way it tells the rescue story?

4. Which format asks the audience to use imagination most? Explain using a detail from the passage.

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Choose a school event or nature topic. In 3 or 4 sentences, explain how you would depict it in two media formats. Name one image, sound, animation, photo-editing choice, or word choice for each format, and explain how the depictions would feel different.

ANSWER KEY

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GRADE 4 · 4.C.4.B

PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline the words that show what the newspaper article, animated video, and podcast use to tell the rescue story. Write 1, 2, or 3 beside the details for the article, video, or podcast so you can compare them. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Compare the newspaper article and the animated video. What does each one use, and how does each depiction make the rescue feel?	**The article uses a photo, headline, and facts to show the turtle's size and injury, making readers feel concerned. The video uses animation, movement, voices, and music to make the rescue feel like a brave adventure.**
2	Which two features can the animated video show or add that the newspaper photo cannot, according to the passage?	**The animated video can show movement and add sounds.**
3	How is the podcast different from the newspaper article in the way it tells the rescue story?	**The podcast uses the worker's voice, sounds, and feelings, and listeners must imagine the turtle. The article uses facts, words, and a photo that readers can see.**
4	Which format asks the audience to use imagination most? Explain using a detail from the passage.	**The podcast asks listeners to use imagination most because it has no pictures, so listeners must imagine the turtle.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

I would show a school garden in a photo poster and a short audio report. The poster would use a close photo of a red tomato and the words "Our First Harvest" to make the garden look colorful and proud. The audio report would include buzzing bees and a student's excited voice, so listeners could imagine working in the garden.

Accept answers that use details from the passage to compare the media formats and explain their different effects. For the open task, accept any two formats with clear format-specific choices and a reasonable comparison of how each depiction feels.