



# Reading Comprehension Virtual Learning

## Grade 6-12 Program Students

**April 28, 2020**



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**Learning Target:**

Students will compare and contrast two different animals to find their similarities and differences.

**Background: This is a review lesson.**

- Students will practice their compare and contrast skills.

**Let's Get Started:**

Review these videos for a refresher:

1. [Compare and Contrast Flocabulary](#)
2. [Compare and Contrast](#)

# Example #1

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Ronnie loved to do karate. He was always practicing his art form. The only books he would read involved the mastery of his skill. His favorite place to practice was in his backyard. Ronnie was a devoted martial artist.

Answer the questions below.

- 1) Where did both people like to spend their time?
  - a) Inside
  - b) Outside
  - c) In a car
- 2) What was Ruth's favorite thing to do?
  - a) Martial arts
  - b) Go for a drive
  - c) Read on the porch
- 3) What was the main difference between Ruth and Ronnie?
  - a) Ronnie liked to do martial arts and Ruth liked to read.
  - b) Ronnie would go for a drive.
  - c) Ruth would do karate in the backyard.

# Example #1 Answers

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Make sure you answer both questions.

## Practice #1 and #2 :

- 1) What is comparing?
- 2) List three things you can compare with the two images.

Albino Caiman Alligator



Albino Tegu Lizard



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## Practice #3 and #4:

3) What is contrasting?

4) List three things you can contrast with the two images.

Caiman Alligator



Red Tegú Lizard





You may have more answers that are listed.

## Practice #1 and #2 : Answers Albino Tegú Lizard

- 1) What is comparing? **Comparing is showing the similarities**
- 2) List three things you can compare with the two images. **Both of the animals are albino, have four legs, have tails, are reptiles, and they both have scales.**

Albino Caiman Alligator





Make sure you answer both questions.

## Practice #3 and #4:

3) What is contrasting? Contrasting is showing differences between two things that are related in some way

4) List three things you can contrast with the two images. The tegu is red while the caiman is dark colors. The caiman is an alligator while the tegu is a lizard. The tegu pictured is large and the caiman is small.

Caiman Alligator



Red Tegu Lizard



Hint: It may help to picture yourself as one of the characters and someone you know as the other person.

## Tall Mary and Short Harry

### Tall Mary

Mary was a tall lady who lived in a big house near the sea. She liked to go fishing and, she worked as a house painter for a living. Mary did not need a ladder because she was so tall. Sometimes she could not fit through the doorways of stores and houses because she was so tall! When Mary came home from work each day, she would sit in her backyard, and watch dolphins swim by.

### Short Harry

Harry was a short man who owned a paint store. His friend, Tall Mary would come by almost every day to buy paint for her job. Sometimes they would laugh because Mary had to bend down to get through the front door of the store. Harry did not like to paint, but he would often go fishing with Mary. The two people were very good friends!



Directions: Use the story to answer the questions.

**1. In these stories, how were Mary and Harry alike?**

- a. They are both tall.
- b. They are both short.
- c. They both like fishing.
- d. They both like to paint.

**2. How are Mary and Harry different?**

- a. Harry likes to fish and Mary doesn't.
- b. Harry has a store and Mary doesn't.
- c. Harry is tall and Mary is short.
- d. Harry lives near the water and Mary doesn't.

**3. When they are in Harry's paint store, what is funny?**

- a. Mary eats the paint.
- b. Mary comes by every day.
- c. Harry is too short to reach the counter.
- d. Mary is too tall to fit through the door.

**4. What does Mary do when she goes home from work?**

- a. She calls Harry on the phone.
- b. She paints houses.
- c. She watches dolphins.
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## Self Check:

Go tell someone in your home your answers.



1. Was this lesson?

- easy
- just right
- hard

2. Practice comparing similarities and differences between yourself and a friend.