



Stories to
Grow by

We are reading and working with fairytales and folk tales from Whootie Owl's Storytime Series for Level 1.

Ask your child about the story we read in class from Whootie Owl's Storytime Series entitled:

"A Caterpillar's Voice"

Whootie Owl's Storytime Series teaches students about the standards-based elements of **plot, setting, characters, and theme**. What's more, each story has a **positive message** such as honesty, learning, and perseverance.

The theme of the story "A Caterpillar's Voice" is:

Courage

A decorative flourish consisting of a central vertical line with ornate, symmetrical scrollwork on either side, resembling a stylized crown or crest.

**Ask your child about the story. Did she or he enjoy it?
Talk about a time when your child did something difficult.**

Each story in the Whootie Owl collection is fun, upbeat, kid-tested, and nonsectarian. Whootie Owl's stories that appear online have been recognized by Disney, The New York Times on the Web, Yahoo! and USA Today.

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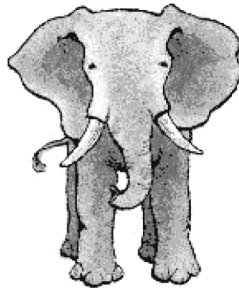
The Character You Like Best

Circle the character you like the best.

frog



elephant



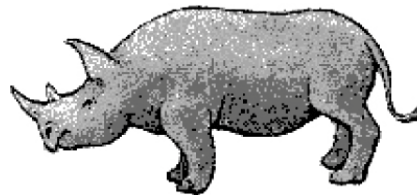
hare



caterpillar



rhino



Why did you choose that one?



because...

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Setting

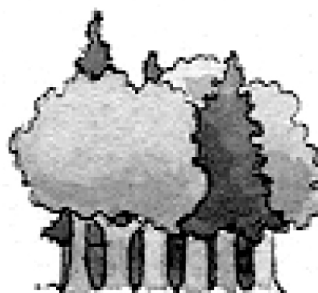
The place where a story begins is called the **setting** of the story. We know that the story takes place by a **cave**. We know that the cave is in **Africa**.

*Draw a circle around the picture that says something true about the **setting** of the story:*

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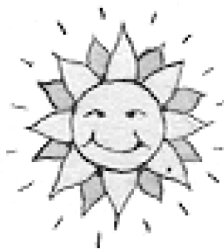


The cave is in a desert.



The cave is in a forest.

2.



It is hot and the sun is shining.



It is cold and snow is falling.

Who Lives in a Cave?

The Hare lived in a cave.

Circle the animals that also live in caves.

Remember – sometimes there is water in a cave!



lion



bug



rooster



horse



spider



bat



fish



bear

? QUESTION:

If you were an animal, would you want to live in a cave?
Why or why not?

Home, Sweet Cave

Hare liked his cave. It was nice and warm.
Do you think it would be nice to live in a
cave, too?

*Draw a picture of your cave in the box below.
What would your cave look like inside?*

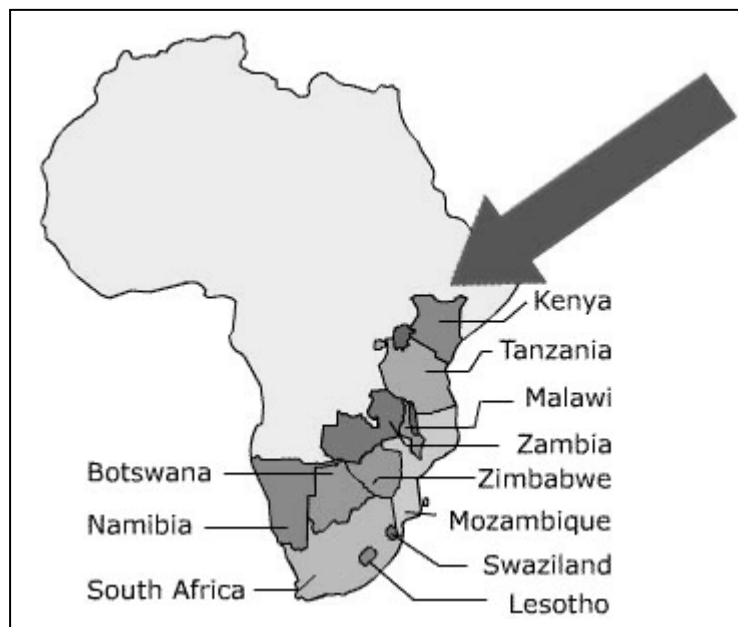
_____ 's Cave
(your name here)



Geography: *About the Masai Tribe*

The story *A Caterpillar's Voice* is from **Africa**. Many different groups of people live in Africa. One name for a group of people is a **tribe**.

The story *A Caterpillar's Voice* is from one of these tribes. The tribe that this story is from is named the **Masai**. Sometimes it is also spelled this way: *Massai*.

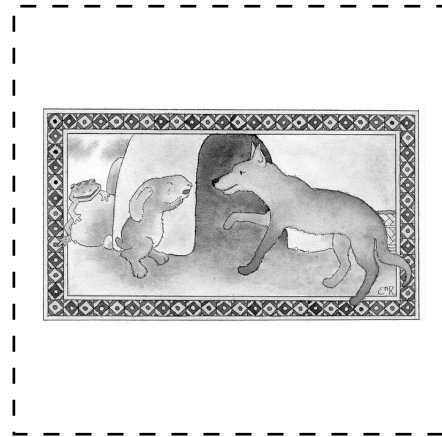
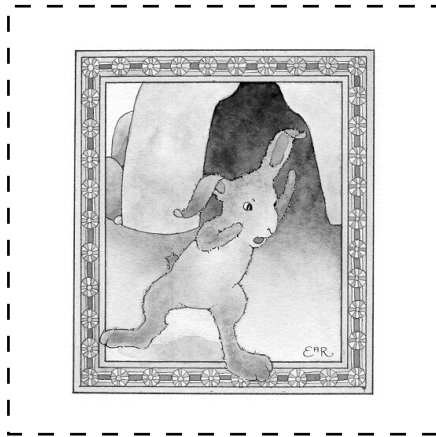
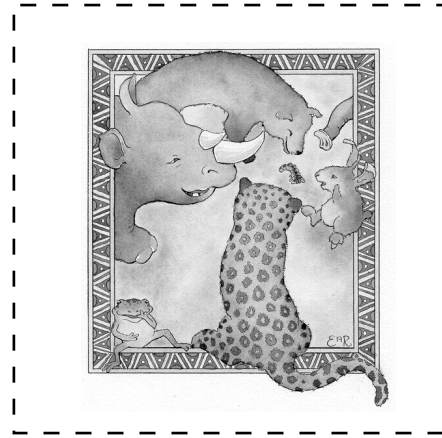
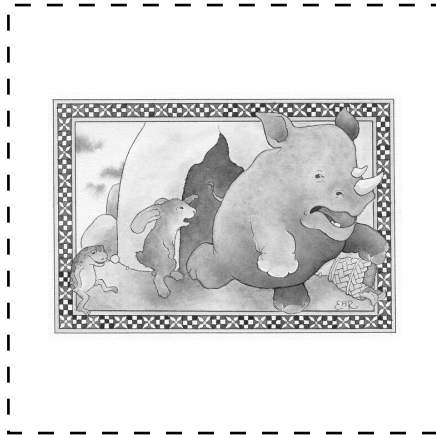


*People of the **Masai Tribe** live today in the countries of Kenya and Tanzania.*

Africa

Put in Order: 1-2-3-4

Cut ~~✂~~ each picture below. Paste the pictures in the boxes on the next page in the correct 1-2-3-4 order.

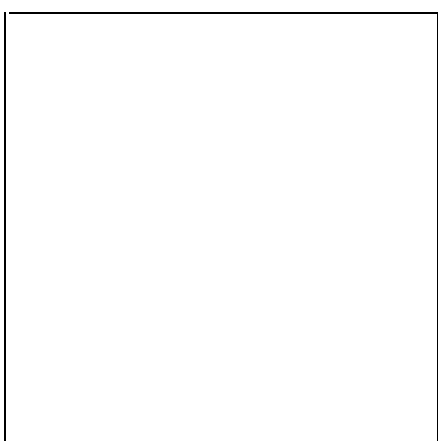


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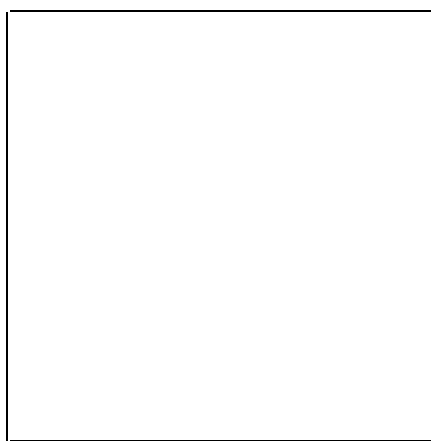


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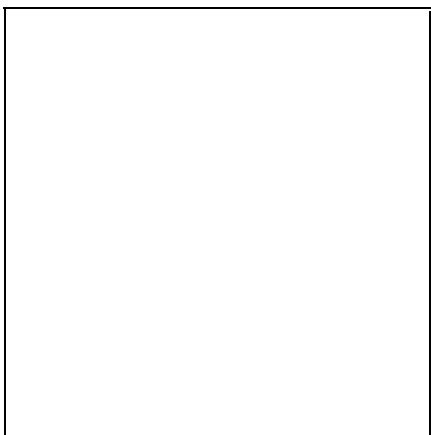
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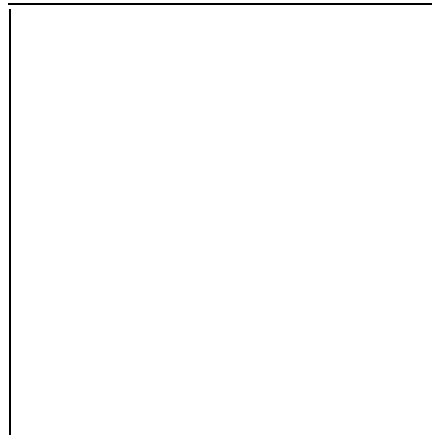
1



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3



4

About the Beginning of the Story

Read each question about the beginning of the story.
Circle the correct answer.

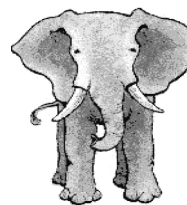
Who is the **first** character you meet in the story?



caterpillar



hare

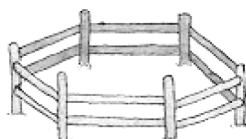


elephant

In what kind of house does the hare live?



cave



pen



tipi

How does the hare feel when he first hears the big voice in the cave?



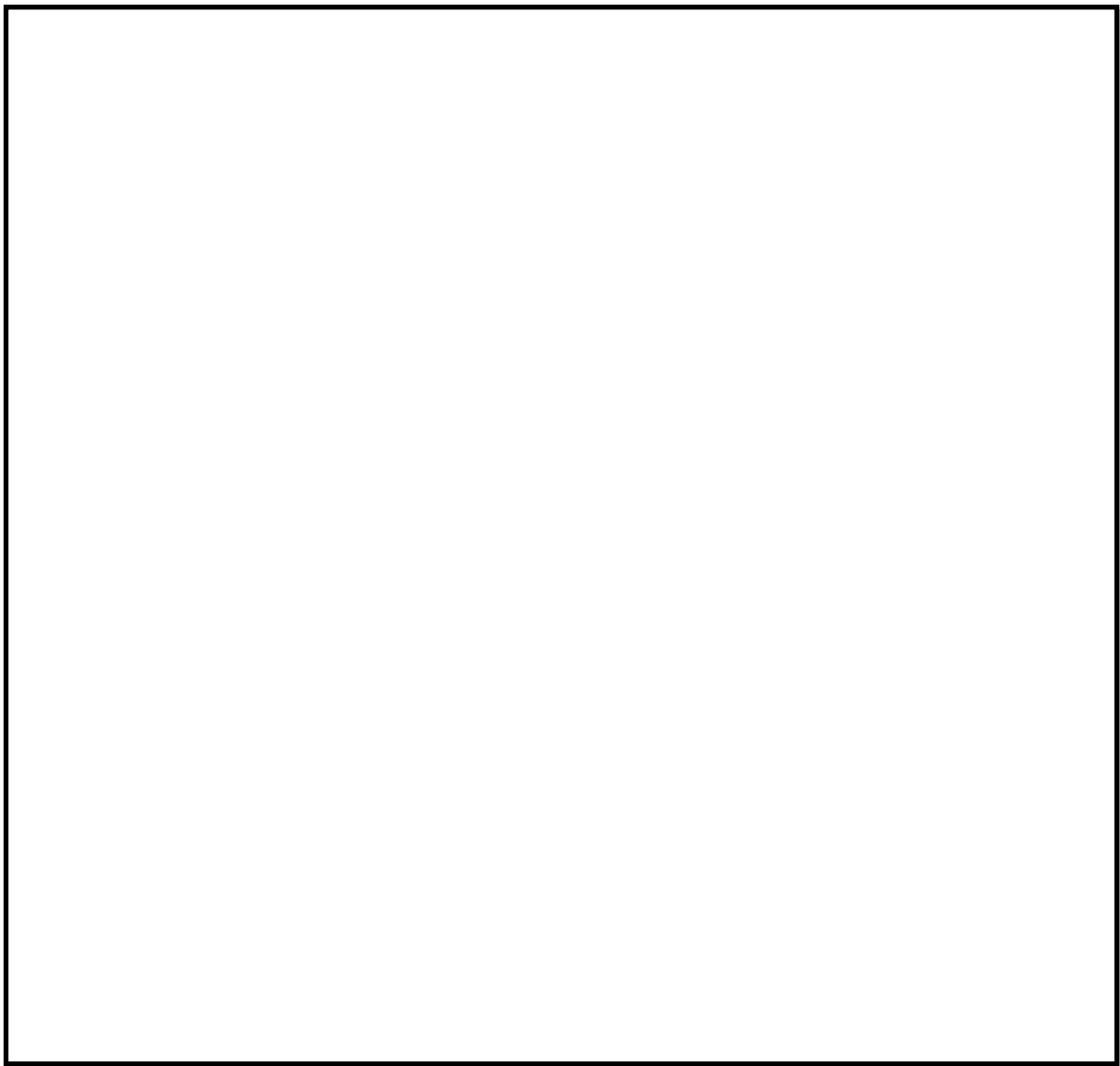
happy



scared

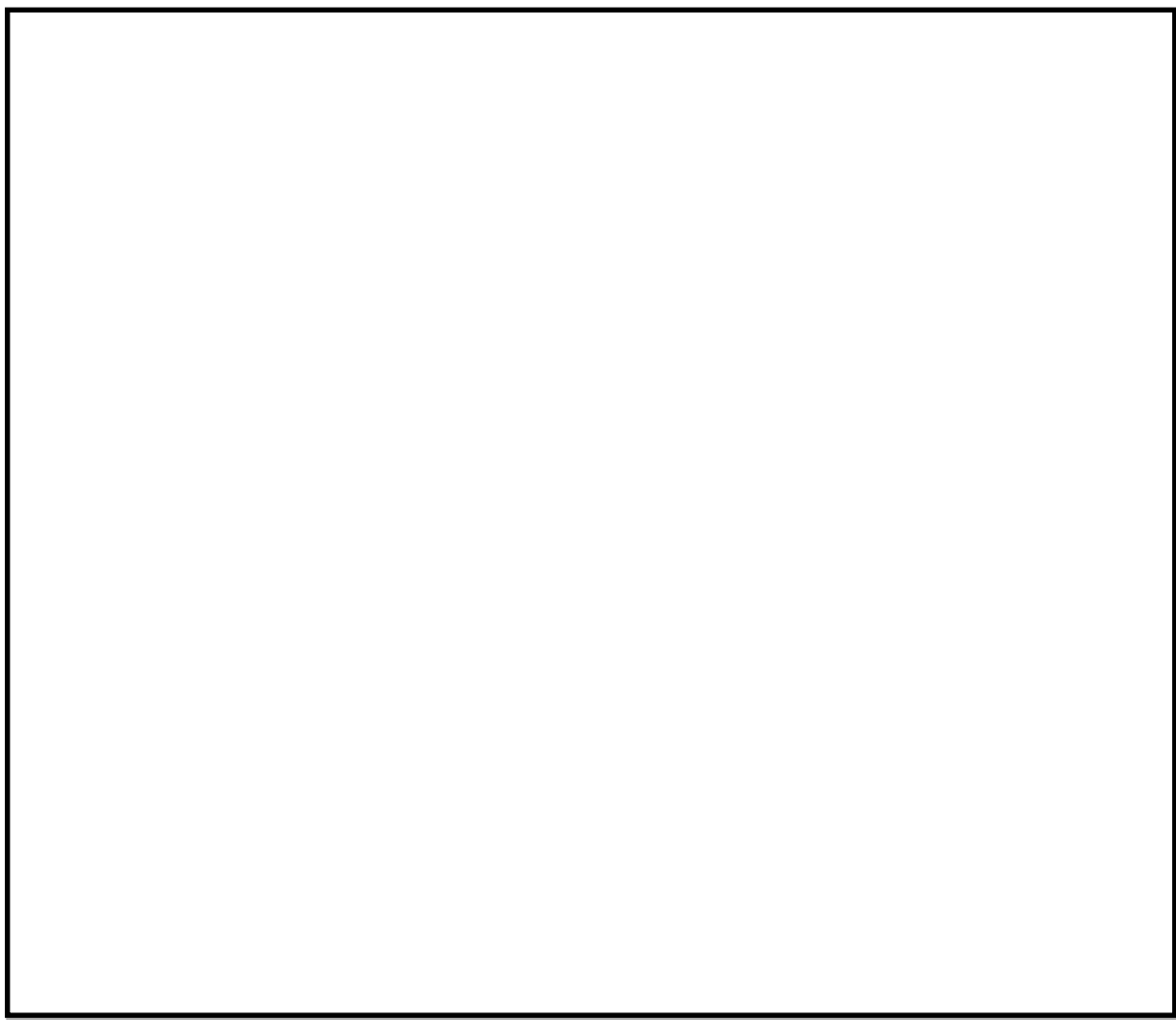
Draw the Beginning of the Story

Draw a picture from the beginning of the story.



Draw the Middle of the Story

*Draw a picture from the **middle of the story.***



About the End of the Story

Circle the animal that came out of the cave at the end of the story.



frog



caterpillar



hare

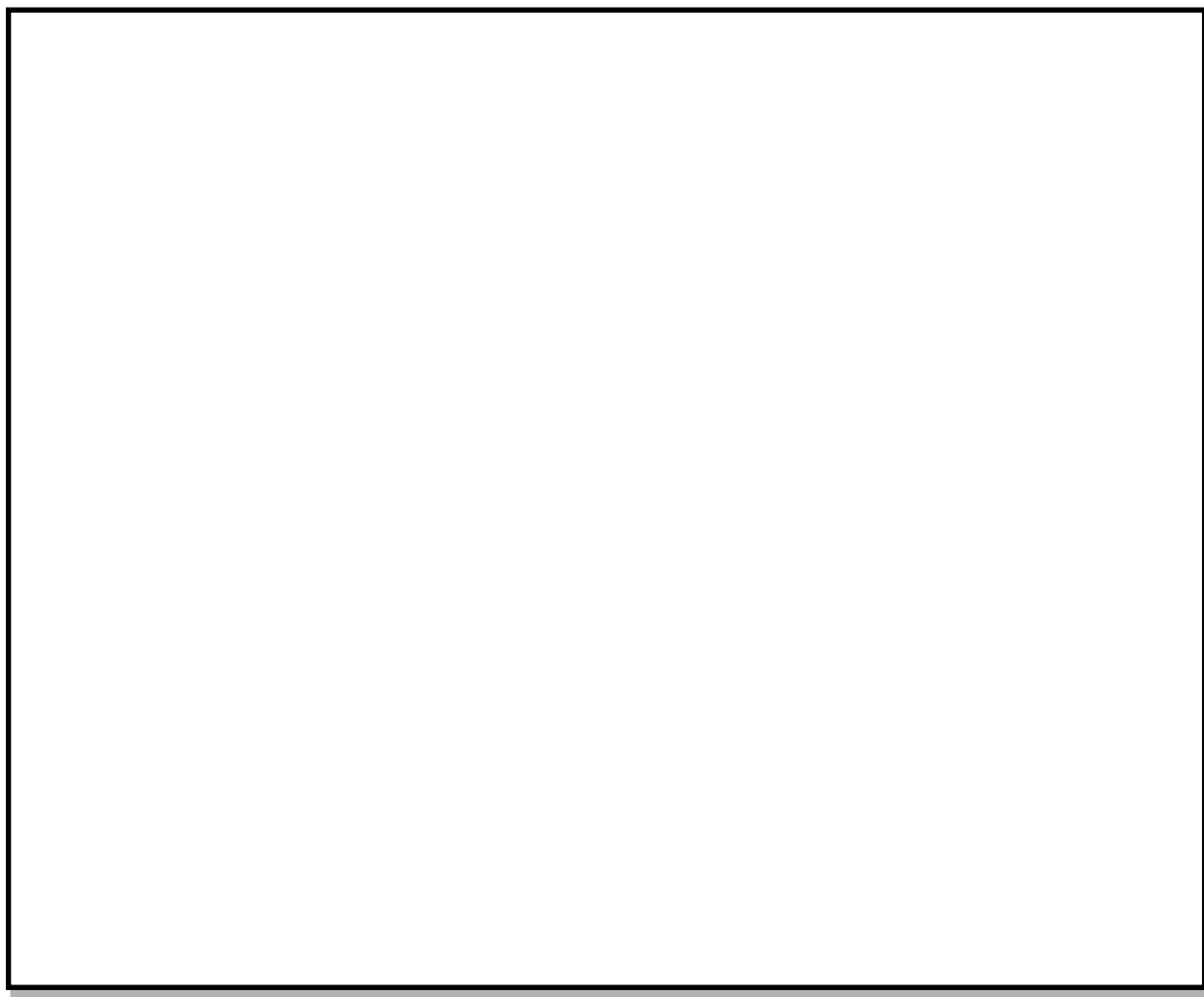
✓ **New Word** – "echo"

In the story, the caterpillar said, "I could never stay in that cave. An **echo** like that is much too loud for a quiet caterpillar like me!"

Do you know what the word "echo" means? If you do, write the meaning of the word "echo" below. If you do not, look it up in the dictionary!

Draw the End of the Story

Draw a picture from the end of the story.



When You Were Brave

*Draw a picture of a time when you were **brave**. Or draw a picture of a time when someone you know was **brave**. Write about it in the lines below.*



Four sets of horizontal writing lines, each consisting of a solid top line, a dashed middle line, and a solid bottom line.

When You Were Scared

*Draw a picture of a time when you were **scared**. Or draw a picture of a time when someone you know was **scared**. Write about it in the lines below.*



Four sets of primary writing lines, each consisting of a solid top line, a dashed middle line, and a solid bottom line.

When You Saved the Day

Draw a picture of a time when you **saved the day**. Or draw a picture of a time when someone you know **saved the day**. Write about it in the lines below.

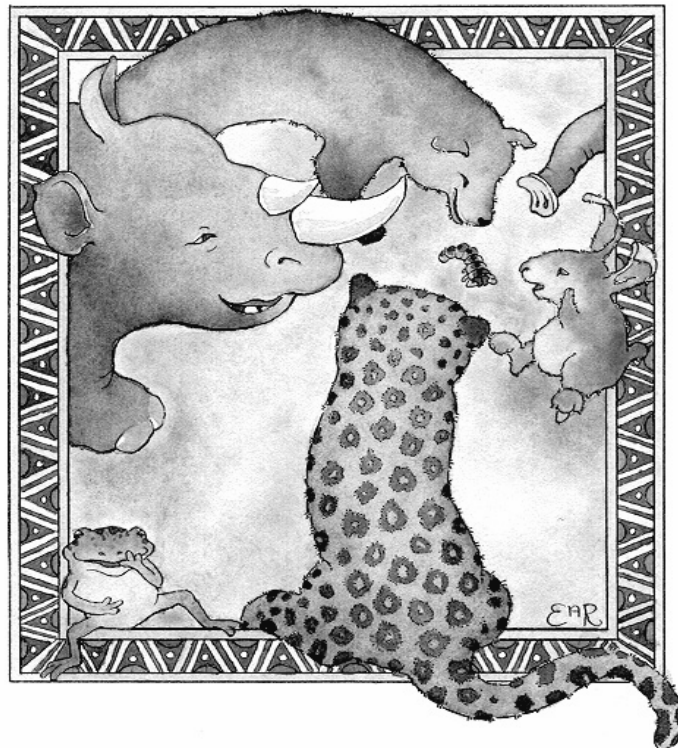


Four sets of horizontal writing lines. Each set consists of a solid top line, a dashed middle line, and a solid bottom line.

Complete the Sentences

Circle the correct letter or letters on the right to complete the sentences.

1. Who was in the hare's _____ave? **c s br**
2. The frog was very _____ave. **c s br**
3. Oh, good! The frog _____aved
the day. **c s br**



Choose the Words that Tell the Story

Use the words below to finish the story.

Tip: Cross out each word after you use it once.

cave

saved

hare

brave

scared

day

Story:

The _____ did not want to go into his
_____. He heard a loud voice
coming from inside. He tried to get some other
animals to help him, but the other animals
were _____, too.

Only the frog was _____.

He _____ the _____ !

Words to Know
to read the story and the play

<u>biggest</u>	the most big <i>(opposite of smallest)</i>
<u>cozy</u>	something that is comfortable
<u>crawl</u>	to walk on your hands and knees
<u>definitely</u>	something the speaker is sure about
<u>echo</u>	a repeat of a sound
<u>elephant</u>	a big, gray animal with large ears and tusks <i>(there is no picture of an elephant in the story)</i>
<u>frown</u>	to look unhappy or mad <i>(opposite of smile)</i>
<u>folk tale</u>	a story from long ago
<u>huge</u>	very big

jackal a wild animal that looks like a dog

leopard a wild animal that looks like a tiger
but has spots

pointing to show with your finger

probably something that is likely to happen

rhinoceros a big animal with a horn on its head
rhino short for “rhinoceros”

stepped walked

strongest the most strong
(*opposite of weakest*)

voice the sound you make when you talk

wonderful something that is very good

Questions → *Fill in the Correct Circle*

1. Which character was the largest?

- hare
- elephant
- frog
- caterpillar

2. Which character was the smallest?

- rhinoceros
- elephant
- caterpillar
- leopard

3. Where did the hare live?

- cave
- park
- house
- tree

4. What did the animals hear that made them feel scared?

- train
- loud voice
- drum
- dog

5. What animal was the most brave?

- jackal
- elephant
- frog
- leopard

Questions

Circle the correct answer

Question 1

Soon Hare came back to his cave. He saw new marks on the ground.

"Oh my!" he said. "Who is in my cave?"

Why did Hare think that someone was in his cave?

- A.** Jackal told Hare that someone was in his cave.
- B.** All of the other animals ran away.
- C.** Hare saw new marks on the ground.
- D.** Leopard said, "Who is in the cave of my friend Hare?"

Question 2

"It is I!" called out the big voice from the cave.

"I am the biggest and the strongest one of all!"

Jackal thought, "Oh, no!" And he ran away.

Why did Jackal run away?

- A.** He ran to tell Rhino about the voice in the cave.
- B.** He wanted to show Hare how fast he could run.
- C.** He was scared of caterpillars.
- D.** He thought the big voice had to be from an animal who was bigger than he was.

More Questions

Question 3

When all of the other animals saw Caterpillar, they did not know what to think. They said, "What? All that time it was *you* inside the cave?"

"I could never stay in *that* cave," said Caterpillar. "An echo like that is much too loud for a quiet caterpillar like me!"

As Caterpillar moved on, the animals laughed at how they were fooled by the big voice in the cave.

THE END

At the end of the story, what were the animals outside of Hare's cave doing?

- A.** running away
- B.** laughing
- C.** going inside the cave
- D.** trying to help Hare

On the next page, answer two more questions about the END of the story.

More Questions

Here are two more questions about the END of the story.

At the END of this story, you can tell that Caterpillar was

- A.** happy to be out of the cave at last.
- B.** sorry he was tricked into losing the cave.
- C.** a good friend to all of the other animals.
- D.** trying to help Hare.

What could be another name for the story "A Caterpillar's Voice"?

- A.** "How Frog Helped Hare"
- B.** "A Party at Hare's Cave"
- C.** "Fast Runners: Jackals, Leopards, and Rhinos"
- D.** "Caves and Other Animal Homes"

What Fits in the Box?

Question A

Choose the sentence that fits in Box 3.

1. When Hare is away, Caterpillar goes into Hare's cave.
2. Hare finds new marks on the ground.
3. Many big animals are scared by the big voice in the cave.
4. Very slowly, Caterpillar comes out of the cave.

Box 1 Once upon a time, a Hare lived in a very nice cave.

Box 2 Jackal is scared by the big voice in the cave.

Box 3

Box 4 Frog calls, "I am even bigger than the one who says he is the biggest of all!"

Box 5

Question B

Choose the sentence that fits in Box 5.

1. Leopard runs away.
2. "Oh, my!" cries Hare. "Who is in my cave?"
3. Caterpillar comes out of the cave.
4. Next, Rhino comes by.

A CATERPILLAR'S VOICE

<p>Quiz</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. elephant2. caterpillar3. cave3. loud voice4. frog	<p>Reading Comprehension Questions:</p> <p>Question 1 – C Question 2 – D Question 3 – B / B / A</p> <p>Sequence of Events:</p> <p>Question A – 3 Question B – 2</p>
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Write What You Think

Question 2

A problem can seem big and scary, but may not be a big problem in the end. Was the first day of school like that? Write about a problem you had that seemed big but at first turned out to be small.

Handwriting practice lines consisting of solid top and bottom lines with a dashed middle line, repeated 10 times.

Extra Writing Paper

The page contains ten sets of horizontal writing lines. Each set is composed of three lines: a solid top line, a dashed middle line, and a solid bottom line. These lines are spaced evenly down the page to provide a guide for handwriting practice.

Extra Writing Paper

This image shows a sheet of extra writing paper with ten sets of primary-ruled lines. Each set consists of a solid top line, a dashed middle line, and a solid bottom line, providing a guide for letter height and placement. The lines are evenly spaced and extend across the width of the page.

“A Caterpillar's Voice”

Word Search

Find these words in the Word Search Box below.

Words may go up or down, across, or even diagonally!

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JACKAL

ECHO

HARE

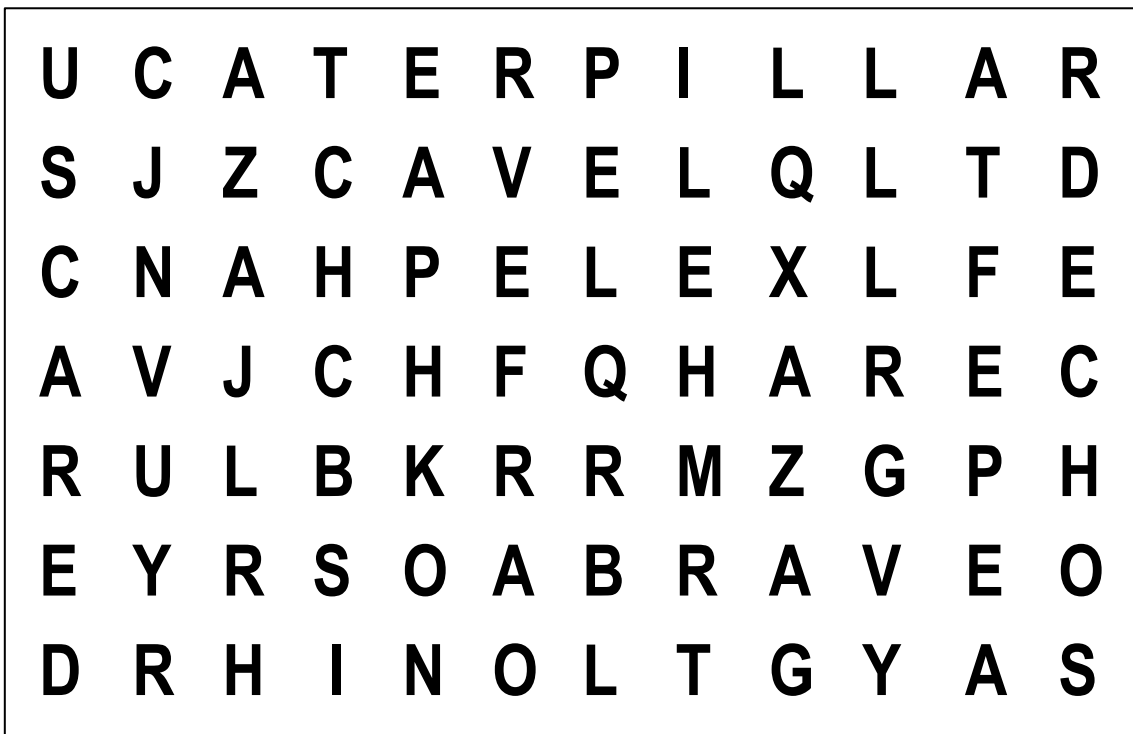
CATERPILLAR

RHINO

SCARED

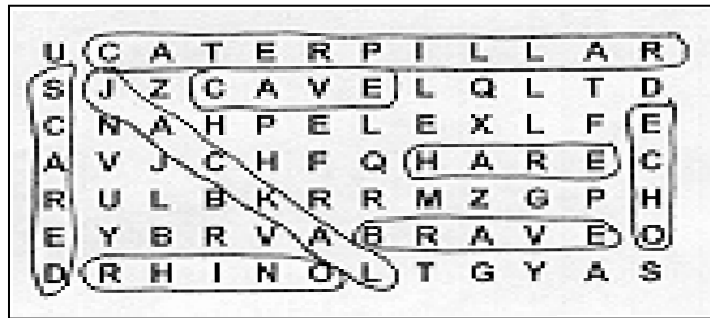
CAVE

Word Search Box



A CATERPILLAR'S VOICE

Word Search



BRAVE

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CATERPILLAR

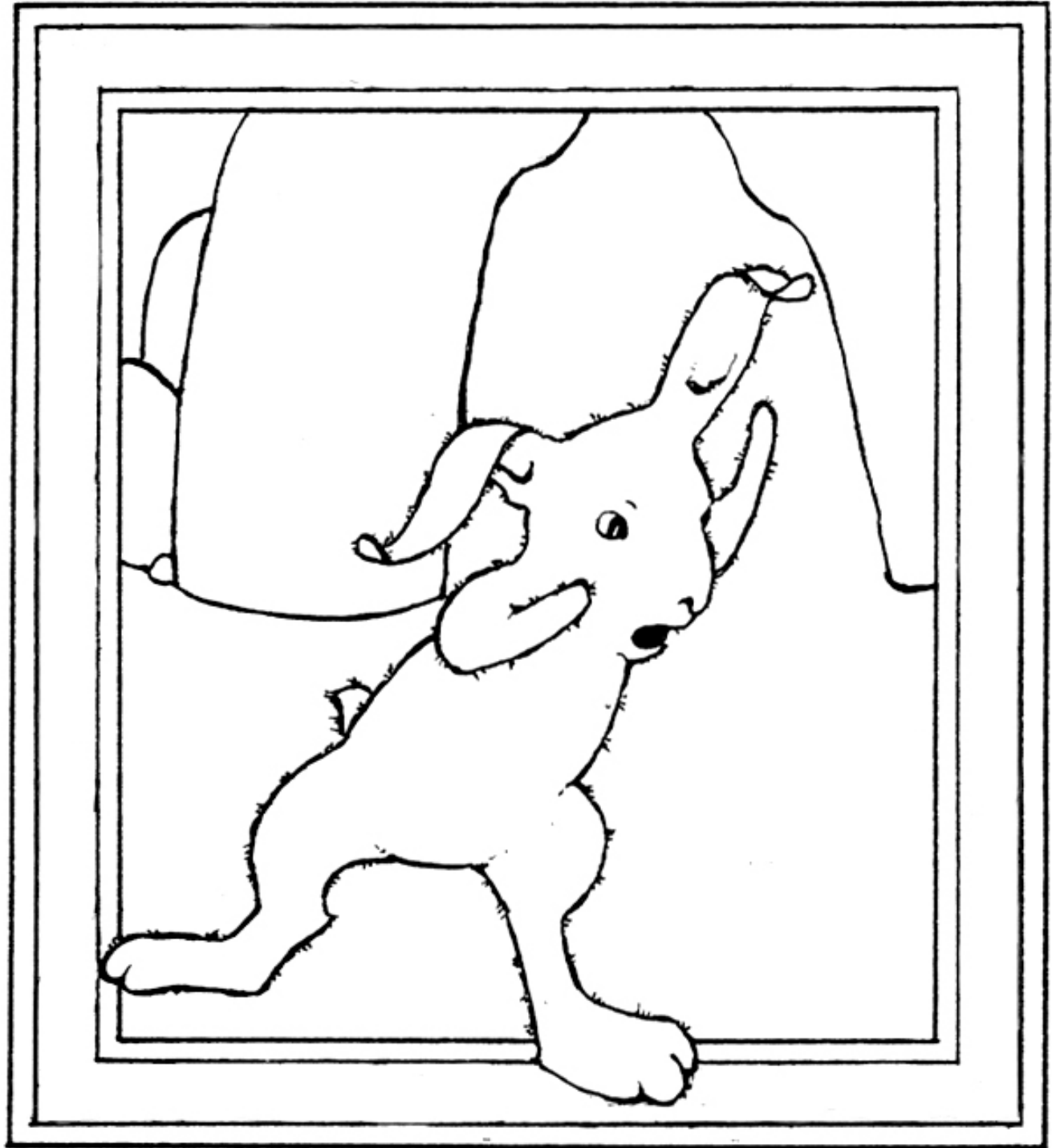
RHINO

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