

COMPARE KEY DETAILS

It is important to pay attention to key details about the character, setting, and events. Readers analyze stories by comparing and contrast these story elements.

While reading a story, ask yourself:

1. How is the main character to and from another character?



2. How are the settings and ?



3. How are the events and ?

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Compare Story Elements

DIGITAL Mini lessons





COMPARE SETTINGS

Watch the video about comparing and contrasting settings.



Ask Yourself:

"Does the
setting
change
throughout
the story?"



LET'S TRY!

Read the story *The Empty Pot* by Demi. Pay close attention to the setting, then fill in the chart.



Words and Phrases that Describe Setting #1	Words and Phrases that Describe Setting #2

DESCRIBE EVENTS

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How to describe the events:

A character's actions and words lead up to the events.

1. Find the spot in the text where a problem or major event occurs.
2. Identify clues prior to the problem that hint that a problem is about to occur. These clues can help you determine important events.
3. Ask yourself, "What major events happen after the problem that lead to the resolution?"

Major Event or Problem	Events Leading up to the Problem	Events Leading up to the Solution

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1. Find the spot in the text where a problem or major event occurs.
2. Identify important events leading up to the problem and after the problem.
3. How are the events similar? How are they different?

Event 1	Event 2