

Let's Read!

Listen to the story *Arthur's Chicken Pox* by Marc Brown. Think about the characters, setting, problem, and solution.



characters

setting

problem

solution

3rd
Grade

Compare & Contrast

DIGITAL Mini lessons





Let's Practice!

Compare & contrast the characters, setting, problem, solution, and lesson in the two stories.

Story Element	What is similar?	What is different?
CHARACTERS		
SETTING		
PROBLEM		
SOLUTION		
LESSON		

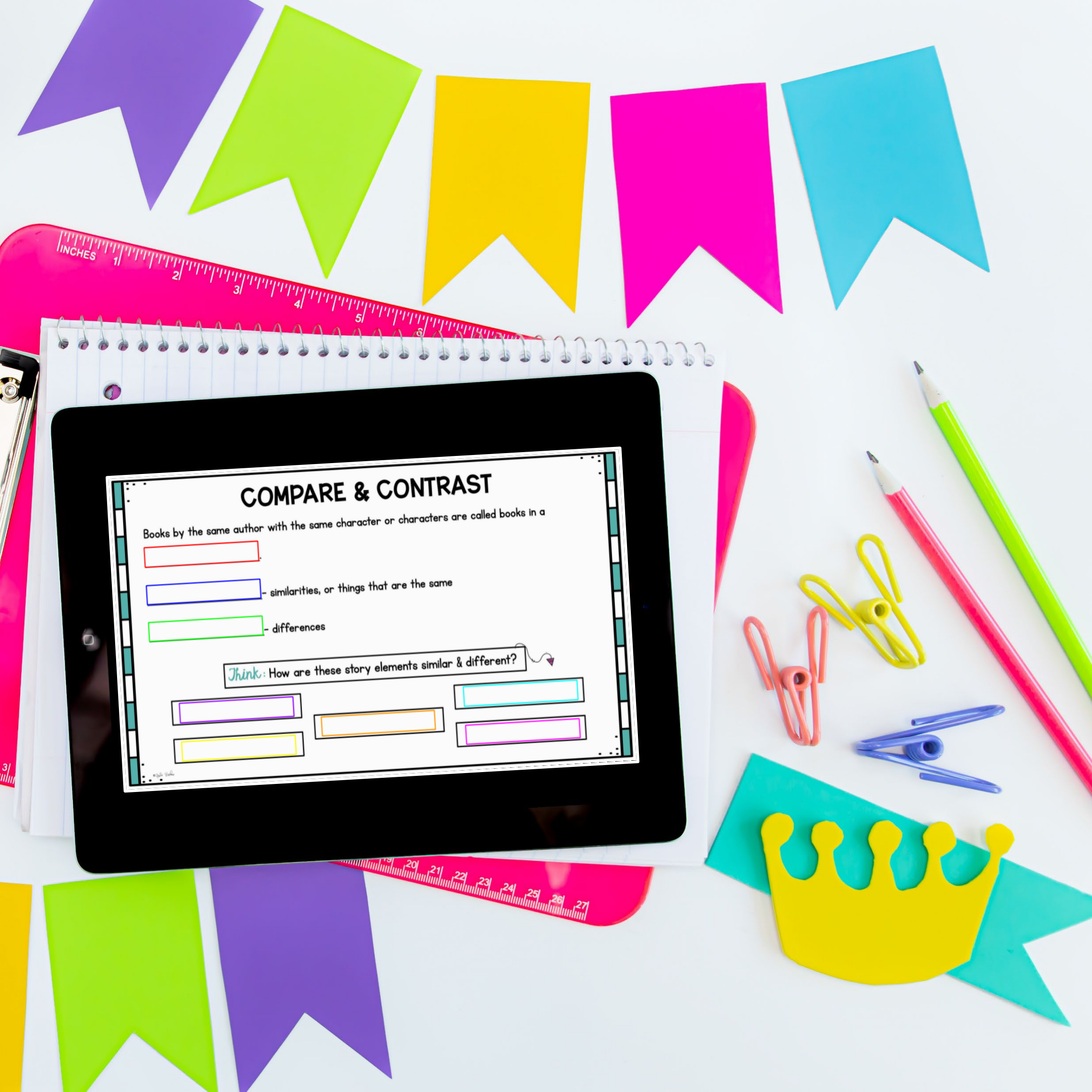
COMPARE & CONTRAST

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- similarities, or things that are the same

- differences

Think: How are these story elements similar & different?





Time to Practice!

Select two stories from your library or the recommended audio book list that are written by the same author.

Title of Story #2:



characters

setting

problem

solution

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COMPARE & CONTRAST

stories in a series

Books by the same author with the same character or characters are called books in a **series**.

If you read several books in a series, you can compare and contrast the:

- **characters**, or who the stories are about
 - **settings**, or where the stories take place
 - **plots**, or the events in the stories
 - **themes**, or the messages or lessons you learn from the stories
- Compare**- similarities, or things that are the same
Contrast- differences

Comparing and contrasting stories in a series helps readers analyze the different approaches the author takes.

Ask Yourself

1. How are the characters similar? How are the characters different?
2. How is the setting similar? How is the setting different?
3. How is the problem similar? How is the problem different?
4. How is the solution similar? How is the solution different?
5. How are the themes similar? How are the themes different?

