Write the word on the line that makes sense.

- I. There are ______ of books to read at the library.
- **2.** The girl had to ______ to class when the bell rang.
- **3.** The team is proud of their ______ in the game.
- **4.** Can you name the _____ between a frog and a toad?
- **5.** The man used his ______ to make the right choice.
- **6.** The student felt _____ about not telling the truth.
- 7. The fans _____ loudly at the game.
- 8. She likes to _____ about her smart puppy.

The letters *eer*, *ere*, and *ear* can stand for the **same** sound. Listen to the sound as you say the words *steer*, *here*, and *clear*.

A. Read each word. Circle the words that rhyme with the first word.

- I. year fern mere spear jeer
- 2. peer perk cheer near fear
- 3. here dear herd veer ear

An abbreviation is a short way to write a word. It begins with a capital letter and ends with a period.

B. Read each sentence. Write the underlined name on the line, using the correct abbreviation.

- I. Mister Flint is a teacher. _____ Mr. Flint
- 2. The school is on North Street. North St.
- 3. My friend lives on <u>Turner Avenue</u>. <u>Turner Ave.</u>
- 4. <u>Doctor Lopez</u> cares for pets. <u>Dr. Lopez</u>

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Read the passage. Use the visualize strategy to form pictures in your mind about what happens in the play.

Coyote Brings Fire

Characters

Squirrel Narrator Coyote

Chipmunk Two Fire Beings Frog

Narrator: Long ago, people did not have fire. Coyote decided to bring it to them.

- (Coyote speaks to Squirrel, Chipmunk, and Frog.) 15
- **Coyote:** I know where we can get fire. The Fire Beings 22
- have it at their camp. I have a workable plan to take the 33
- fire. Will you help? 46
- **Squirrel:** We'll all help you if you just tell us what to do.
- 63 **Coyote:** Follow me very quietly.
- (The animals sneak up to the Fire Beings' camp. Coyote 68
- grabs a stick of fire and runs.) 78
- **Chipmunk:** Look out, Coyote! The Fire Beings are 85
- chasing you. Run quickly! 93
- **Frog:** The Fire Beings touched the end of Coyote's tail!
- Now the fur there is white.

- 113 **Squirrel:** Coyote, toss the fire to me and I'll catch it.
- (Coyote tosses the fire to Squirrel.)
- 130 **Coyote:** Oh, Squirrel, you caught the fire with your
- 139 tail. The heat of the fire has curled your tail up over
- 151 your back.
- 153 **Chipmunk:** Squirrel, toss the fire here to me.
- 161 (Squirrel tosses the fire to Chipmunk.)
- 167 Coyote: Watch out, Chipmunk, a Fire Being is right
- 176 behind you.
- 178 **Frog:** The Fire Being scratched Chipmunk's back. Look
- 186 at the three stripes on his back. Throw the fire to me,
- 198 Chipmunk!
- (Chipmunk tosses the fire to Frog. Frog is caught by a Fire
- 211 Being, but gets away. The fire being still holds Frog's tail.)
- 222 **Squirrel:** Frog, you have lost your tail!
- 229 **Coyote:** Here comes another Fire Being. Frog, toss the
- 238 fire onto Wood.
- 241 Narrator: Now Wood had fire. Coyote showed the
- 249 people a useful skill. He rubbed two sticks together to
- 259 make fire. From that day on, the people had fire.

I. What does Coyote want to do for people?

He wants to bring them fire because they don't have it.

2. How do Coyote and the animals get fire?

They all work together to take fire from the Fire Beings.

3. What is the theme of the passage?

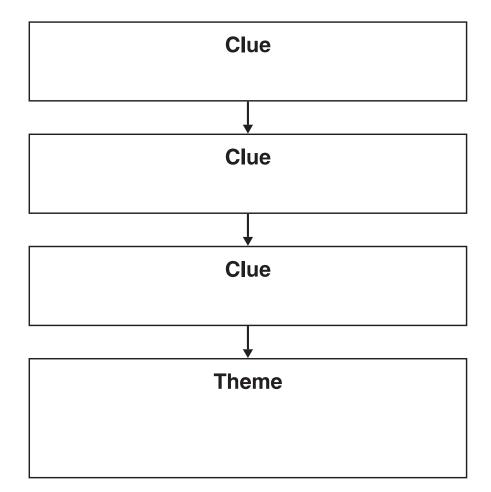
Possible response: A job is easier when we work together.

B. Work with a partner. Read the passage aloud. Pay attention to how you use your voice to show feelings. Stop after one minute. Fill out the chart.

| | Words Read | _ | Number of Errors | = | Words Correct Score |
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| First Read | | _ | | = | |
| Second Read | | _ | | = | |

Name ______

Read the selection. Complete the Theme chart.



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A. Read the draft model. Use the questions that follow the draft to help you add details about the characters' experiences and thoughts.

Draft Model

Sun and Moon were friends. They were nice to each other. Every day they had fun and did things together.

- I. What might Sun and Moon think about being friends?
- 2. How might Sun and Moon be nice to each other?
- **3.** What kind of fun might they have together? What are some things they might do?
- B. Now revise the draft by adding details that tell about what Sun and Moon are like.

| Answers will vary but should include details that develop strong character |
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| traits related to the story. |
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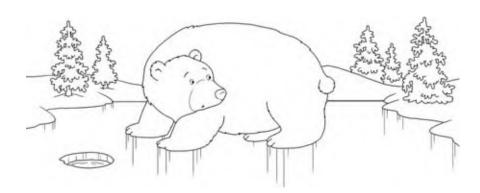
Bear's Stumpy Tail

Fox: Bear, drop your tail in this hole in the ice. You can catch fish that way.

(Bear sits to put his tail in the ice.)

Bear: My tail is cold. I'm getting up now.

(Bear gets up. His tail snaps off. Now he has a stumpy tail.)



Answer the questions about the text.

I. How do you know this is a drama?

It is a play that can be acted out. It has parts for Fox and Bear to

speak aloud.

2. Why does Bear drop his tail into the hole in the ice?

He wants to catch fish.

3. What lesson does Bear learn about Fox?

He should not trust Fox.

A **root word** is a word to which other word parts are added.

Read each sentence. Circle the root word in the word in bold print. Then write the meaning of the word in bold print.

I. I have a workable plan to take the fire.

able to work

2. Follow me very quietly.

in a way that is quiet

3. The Fire Being scratched Chipmunk's back.

scraped on the surface

4. The Fire Being still (hold)s Frog's tail.

has in its grip

5. Coyote showed the people a useful skill.

full of use

| Name | | | | | | |
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| us | Reread "Coyote Brings Fire." Write about how the author uses what the characters say and do to share the theme of the story. Possible responses given. | | | | | |
| ı. | In "Coyote Brings Fire," the main characters are Coyote, Squirrel, | | | | | |
| | Chipmunk, and Frog | | | | | |
| 2. | Coyote wants to bring people fire because | | | | | |
| | they do not have any , so he | | | | | |
| | takes a stick of fire from the Fire Beings and runs | | | | | |
| 3. | He does this with Squirrel, Chipmunk, and Frog | | | | | |
| 4. | The characters' words and actions are important to the author's | | | | | |
| | main message because most of the story is told through the | | | | | |
| | characters' words and actions. The author uses the characters as | | | | | |
| | examples to help readers understand the message or theme of the story | | | | | |
| 5. | The theme of the story is working together makes a job easier | | | | | |