

Name _____ **Comparing Stories**

Story 1: The Magic Paintbrush

Lila loved to draw. She drew on paper, on the sidewalk, and even in the sand at the beach. One day, while exploring her grandmother's attic, Lila found an old paintbrush. It was dusty and looked like it hadn't been used in years. Lila decided to try it out.

As soon as Lila dipped the brush into her paints and made her first stroke, something amazing happened. The flower she painted began to glow and then, to Lila's amazement, it popped off the page and floated in the air! The flower was real! Lila couldn't believe it—her paintbrush was magic!

Excited, Lila painted a tree, and soon it was standing tall in her room, leaves rustling in the breeze. She painted a butterfly, which fluttered around her, landing gently on her shoulder. Lila was thrilled. She spent all afternoon painting and bringing her drawings to life.

But when Lila painted a giant dragon, she realized she might have gone too far. The dragon roared and started knocking over her toys. Lila quickly grabbed her eraser and, with a few quick swipes, made the dragon disappear. She laughed, realizing she needed to be careful with her new paintbrush.

From that day on, Lila used her magic paintbrush wisely, creating only things that brought joy and fun.

Story 2: The Lost Puppy

Ethan was walking home from school when he heard a soft whimper. He looked around and saw a small, fluffy puppy hiding behind a bush. The puppy was shivering and looked scared. Ethan knew he couldn't just leave it there.

He gently picked up the puppy and looked around for anyone who might be searching for it, but the street was empty. Ethan decided to take the puppy home. When he got there, his mom was surprised to see the little dog.

"Where did you find this puppy?" she asked.

Ethan told her the story, and they decided to take care of the puppy until they could find its owner. Ethan named the puppy Max. He gave Max a bath, fed him, and even made a little bed out of an old blanket.

The next day, Ethan made posters with Max's picture and put them up around the neighborhood. A few days later, a woman knocked on their door. She was so happy to see Max! She explained that Max had gotten lost during a walk.

Even though Ethan was sad to say goodbye to Max, he was happy knowing that Max was back with his owner. The woman thanked Ethan and promised he could visit Max whenever he wanted.



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Multiple Choice Questions

1. What is the special object Lila finds in her story?

- a) A magic wand
- b) A magic pencil
- c) A magic book
- d) A magic paintbrush

2. How does Ethan help the puppy in his story?

- a) He teaches it tricks.
- b) He feeds it and finds its owner.
- c) He keeps it as his own pet.
- d) He takes it to the park.

3. What do Lila and Ethan both do in their stories?

- a) Find something special
- b) Help an animal
- c) Create something new
- d) Go on an adventure

4. How do the problems in the two stories differ?

- a) Lila has to deal with a scary dragon, while Ethan has to care for a lost puppy.
- b) Lila is trying to find her lost puppy, and Ethan is trying to fix his broken toy.
- c) Lila gets lost in the forest, and Ethan finds a magic paintbrush.
- d) Lila loses her paintbrush, and Ethan loses his dog.

5. What is the main lesson both Lila and Ethan learn?

- a) It's fun to play with animals.
- b) Be careful with magic.
- c) Helping others brings happiness.
- d) Always keep track of your things.