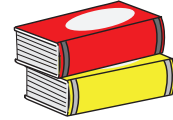


# A Tale of Two Texts



**Directions:** Read the texts below. Pay attention to the similarities and differences between the two stories.

*Cock-a-doodle-do!*

Kimberly woke up to the sound of her family's rooster every day. Each morning was the same. As soon as she got out of bed, Kimberly tended to her family's farm animals before eating breakfast and getting ready for her day. During the week, Kimberly did all of these things before she hurried to catch the bus to school.

Her mornings started so early, and she felt sleepy before lunch and recess. After a long day at school, Kimberly had to go home to walk her dog, do her chores around the farm and complete her homework. Kimberly was tired each day in class.

The teacher noticed this problem and called her parents. They worked together to come up with a solution so that Kimberly was able to stay alert enough to learn at school. Kimberly would be allowed to have a snack in the morning, which would give her energy.

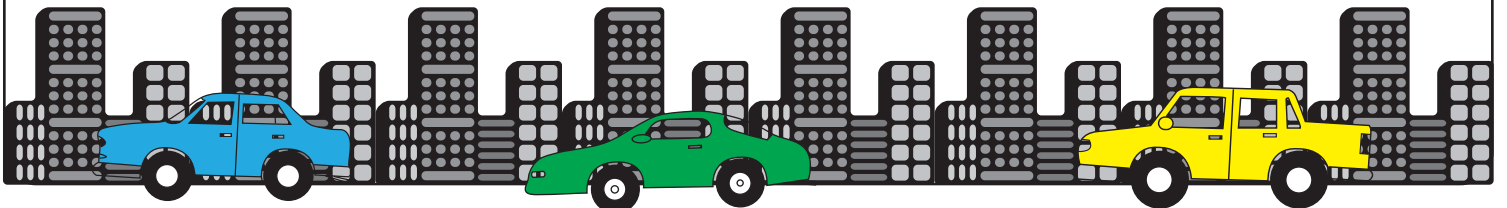


*Beep! Beep! Beep! Beep!*

The sounds of the city continued all night as Kate laid in bed in the room she shared with her little brother. The loud sounds of the car alarms, police sirens, and cars honking as they drove past her apartment building caused Kate to have trouble sleeping every night. However, her dog was used to the sounds as he slept soundly at the foot of her bed.

When Kate got up each morning, she got ready for school and helped her brother get ready. Together, they walked four blocks to get to their school. Kate was tired as she walked to school because she hadn't slept well during the night. When they arrived at the school, Kate walked her brother to class before taking the stairwell to her classroom on the third floor.

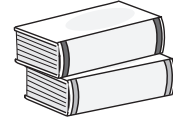
Kate was late to class most days. The teacher called home to address the problem with Kate's parents. They decided to buy her a noise machine for her bedroom. This would help keep out the loud city sounds so she could get a better night's sleep.



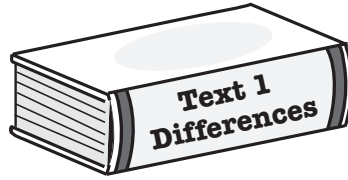
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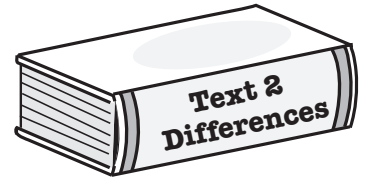
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**Directions:** Complete the chart with information from the two texts.



## Similarities



### Characters

What character traits do they have in common? What traits are different?

### Setting

How is the setting from Story 1 different from Story 2? How are the settings the same?

### Problem

How is the character's problem in Story 1 similar to the character's problem in Story 2?

### Resolution

What did the characters do at the end of the story to solve the problems? How are the solutions the same or different?

**Directions:** Complete the following written response question. When you answer the question, write in complete sentences on the lines below. Be sure to refer to details from both texts in your response!

What character traits do Kimberly and Kate have in common? Explain.

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