

WORKSHEET - COMPARE AND CONTRAST 3

Read the passage below then answer the questions.

THE WIND AND THE SUN (A FABLE)



A dispute once arose between the Wind and the Sun, as to which was the stronger. To decide the matter, they agreed to try their power on a traveler. That party which should first strip him of his cloak, was to win the day.

The Wind began. He blew a cutting blast, which tore up the mountain oaks by their roots, and made the whole forest look like a wreck. But the traveler, though at first he could scarcely keep his cloak on his back, ran under a hill for shelter, and buckled his mantle about him more closely. The Wind having thus tried his utmost power in vain, the Sun began.

Bursting through a thick cloud, he darted his sultry beams so forcibly upon the traveler's head, that the poor fellow was almost melted. "This," said he, "is past all bearing. It is so hot, that one might as well be in an oven." So he quickly threw off his cloak, and went into the shade of a tree to cool himself.



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QUESTION

1. Compare and contrast the wind and sun.

2. What was the argument?

3. How were they going to settle their dispute?

4. Who proved to be stronger?

5. What did the wind succeed in doing?

6. Why did the traveler keep his cloak on and run under a hill for shelter?

7. Why did the traveler remove his cloak and darted under a tree?

8. What does this fable teaches us?

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Answers

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2. What was the argument? Who was stronger?
3. How were they going to settle their dispute? One must get the traveler to remove his cloak.
4. Who proved to be stronger? The sun
5. What did the wind succeed in doing? The wind tore up the mountain oaks by their roots.
6. Why did the traveler keep his cloak on and run under a hill for shelter? He was scared a tree would fall on him.
7. Why did the traveler remove his cloak and darted under a tree? The heat was unbearable.
8. What does this fable teaches us? It teaches us that gentle means will often succeed where forcible one will fail.