

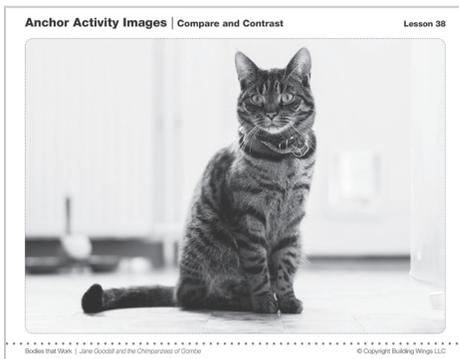
CLOSE READING LESSON

COMPARE AND CONTRAST | Chimpanzees vs Gorillas

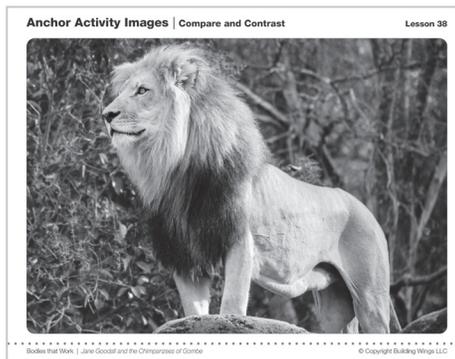
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ACTIVATE BACKGROUND KNOWLEDGE

Print and / or display provided pictures of a house cat and a lion.



Anchor Activity Images



Point to the picture of the house cat.

Do you have a cat as a pet?

Pause for student responses.

This is a small kind of cat that many people keep as a pet. Pet cats usually live in a house. Sometimes, they live outside in a yard or barn. Where does your cat live?

Point to the picture of the lion.

A lion is a kind of cat too! Do you have a lion as a pet?

Pause for student responses.



No! Lions live in zoos and wild parts of Africa. Some lions also live in wildlife parks all over the world. But lions are too big to keep as a pet. And lions are wild animals. They can be dangerous to people.

Let's compare pet cats and lions. Let's think about how they are the same.

Pause for student responses. (For example: they are both cats, they both have fur, they have four legs, they have sharp teeth / claws, etc.)

Yes! We just compared pet cats and lions. When we compare two things, we think about ways that they are the same.



Now, let's contrast pet cats and lions. Let's think about how they are different.

Pause for student responses. (For example: a pet cat is small, a lion is big, a pet cat is cuddly, a lion is dangerous, a pet cat lives in a house, a lion lives in a zoo / the wild / Africa, etc.)

Great! We just contrasted pet cats and lions. When we contrast two things, we think about ways that they are different.

PURPOSE STATEMENT



Today, we will read to compare and contrast chimpanzees and gorillas. To do this, we will read to answer two questions:

- How are chimpanzees the same as gorillas? (compare)
- How are chimpanzees different from gorillas? (contrast)

Pass out **Compare and Contrast**.

COMPARE AND CONTRAST

READ

As a whole group, read the **Compare and Contrast** at **Transitional Level 3-4** or **Conventional Level 5**. Have student volunteers read words or labels where possible. Support students in reading.

APPLY



We read to compare and contrast chimpanzees and gorillas. How are they the same? How are they different? Take your compare and contrast sheet home so you can share what you learned with your family or friends!