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A Creaking Tail

Worksheet · Grades 9+



Comprehension Questions

1. Who is the main character in the story?
2. What action does the American Statesman take regarding the British Lion?
3. How does the British Lion respond to the Statesman's actions?
4. What does the British Lion imply about the sound coming from his tail?
5. What moral lesson can be inferred from this story?

Vocabulary Matching Exercise

Match the words with their correct definitions by writing the letter in the space provided.

Word	Definition	Match
Statesman	A person who is experienced in politics	
Agony	Intense suffering or pain	
Fortitude	Courage in facing pain or adversity	
Rasping	A harsh, grating sound	
Swivel	To turn or pivot around a fixed point	

Writing or Reflection Task

Reflect on the moral of the story and how it relates to real-life situations. Answer the following questions:

1. What do you think the story teaches us about power and perception?

2. Can you think of a time when a situation was misunderstood? How did it resolve?

3. Write your own moral based on this story.