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The Fabulist and the Animals



Worksheet · Grades 9+

Comprehension Questions

1. What was the purpose of the Writer of Fables visiting the travelling menagerie?
2. How did the Elephant feel about the Writer's ridicule of people with long noses?
3. What complaint did the Kangaroo have regarding the Writer's stories?
4. Why did the Camel disapprove of the Writer's fables?
5. What was the Ostrich's reaction upon seeing the Writer approach?
6. What was the Buzzard's opinion about the Writer's past fables?

Vocabulary Matching Exercise

Match the words with their correct definitions. Write the letter of the definition next to the corresponding word.

Word	Definition
A. Satirist	1. An animal that eats carrion
B. Marsupial	2. A person who uses humor, irony, or exaggeration to criticize or mock
C. Proboscidae	3. A group of mammals that carry their young in pouches
D. Buzzard	4. A family of animals with long noses, such as elephants

Writing Reflection Task

Reflect on the story and answer the following questions. Use the lines provided for your answers.

1. What lessons do you think can be learned from the interactions between the Writer and the animals?

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2. How do you think the animals' feelings about the Writer's fables might relate to the way we respond to stories in our own lives?

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3. Write a short moral that you think could be derived from this story.

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Thank you for participating in this activity!