

Fantasy

TWO HUNGRY ELEPHANTS



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STRATEGIES & SKILLS

Comprehension

Strategy: Reread

Skill: Theme

Vocabulary

answer, brought, busy,
demand, door, emergency,
enough, eyes

Phonics

Variant vowel spellings
with digraphs: *oo, u, u_e,*
ew, ue, ui, ou

Content Standards

Social Studies

Civics and Government

Word count: 246**

**The total word count is based on words in the running text and headings only. Numerals and words in captions, labels, diagrams, charts, and sidebars are not included.

**Essential Question**

How can we work together to make our lives better?

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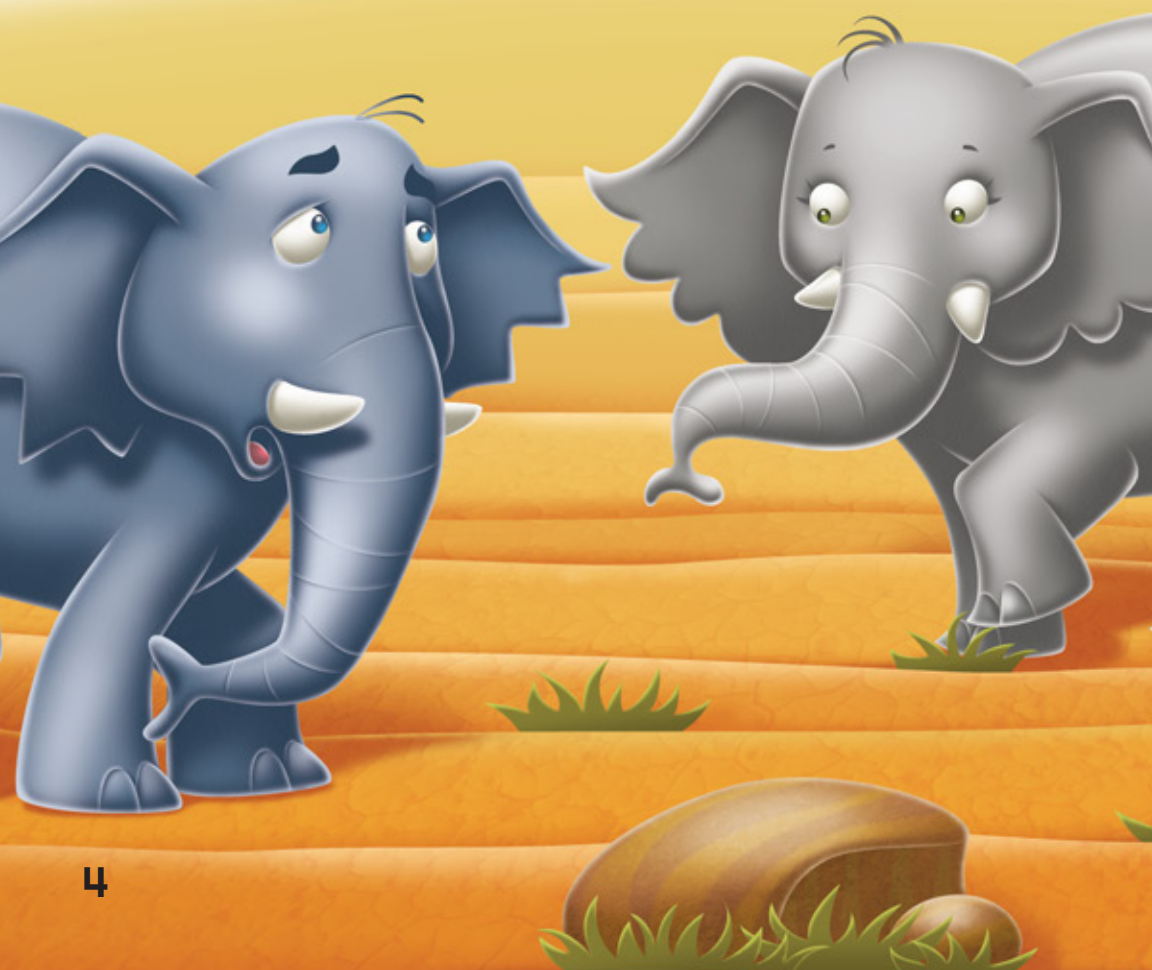


Lucy was very, very hungry.
She hadn't eaten for days.
She felt weak and dizzy.

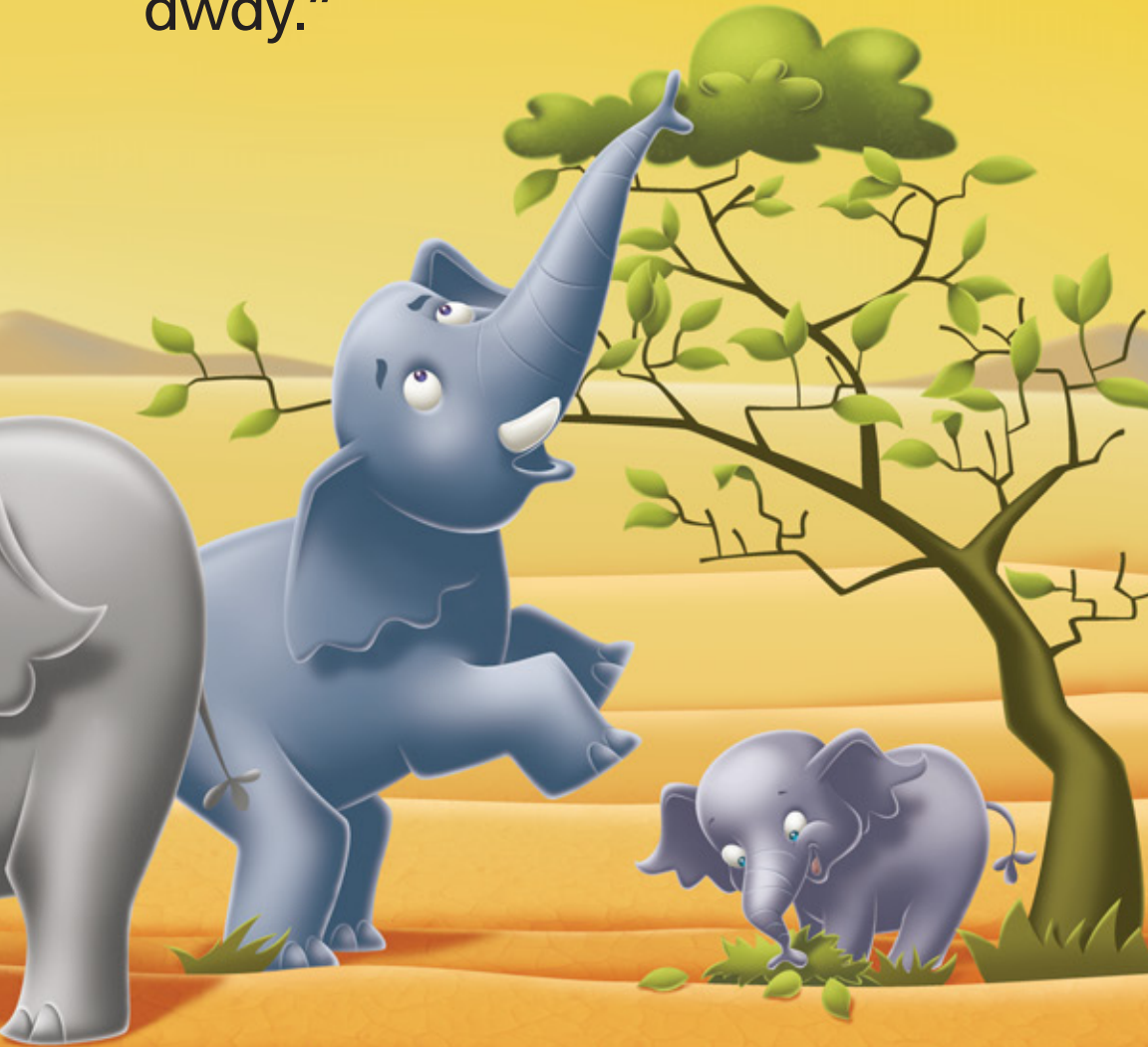
Tom was very hungry too.
Finding food was an
emergency for both of them!



Tom found a tree with
leaves, but he was too late!
Others were busy eating.



“There aren’t enough leaves to share,” said one elephant. “I demand that you go away.”

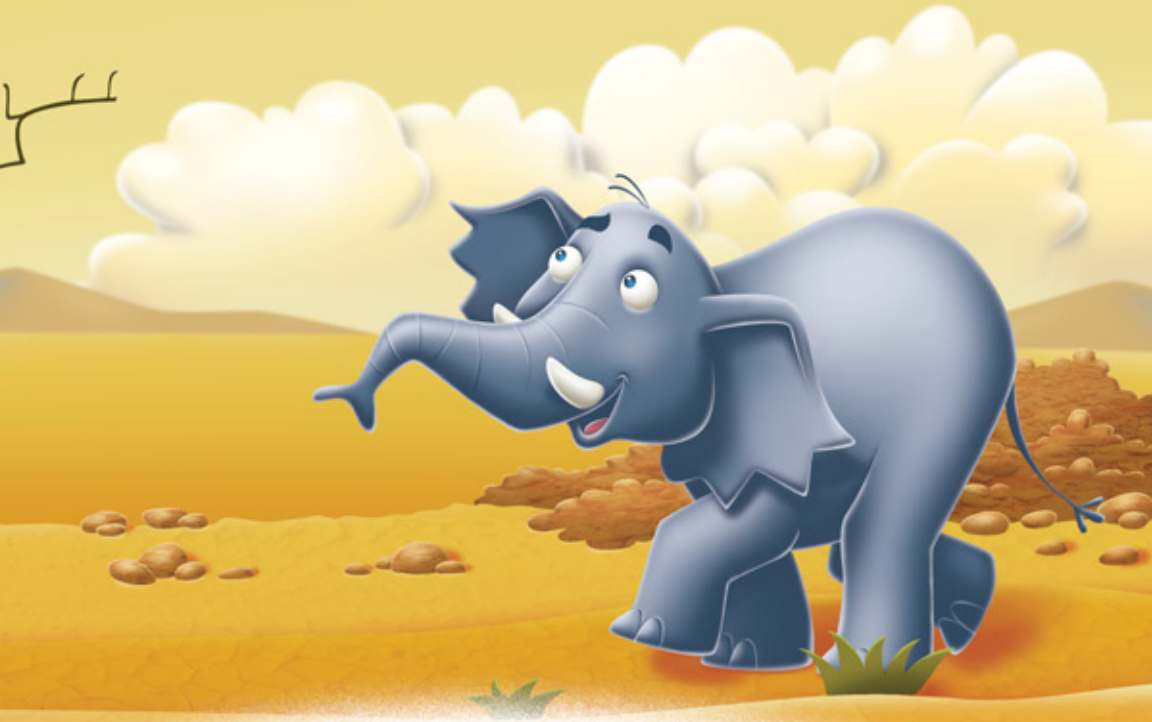


STOP AND CHECK

Why are Lucy and Tom hungry?



Tom kept walking. Lucy kept walking. Finally, they found a tree. They could not believe their eyes!



“My name is Tom,” said Tom.

“Mine’s Lucy,” said Lucy. “Are you hungry?”

“I’m starving!” said Tom.



"The leaves are on top,"
said Lucy. "How can we
reach them?"

"I'll shake them down,"
said Tom.

He tried, but it didn't work.

Lucy found an old piece of wood. It looked like a door. "Maybe this will help," she said.

She tapped it against the tree, but nothing happened.



STOP AND CHECK

How do Tom and Lucy try to get the leaves?

“I think I have the answer,”
said Tom. “Let’s work
together.”

He reached up with his trunk.
He brought the branch down.





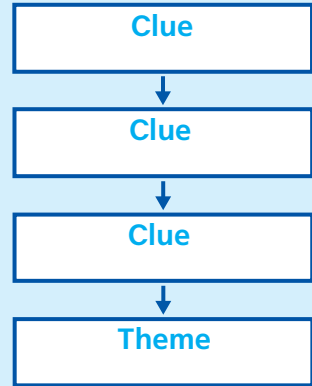
Lucy picked off the leaves with her trunk. Lucy and Tom weren't hungry anymore!



Respond to Reading

Retell

Use the chart to help you retell *Two Hungry Elephants*.



Text Evidence

1. What is the theme of this story? **Theme**
2. How do the elephants work together to help each other?
Theme
3. What kind of story is this?
How do you know? **Genre**

Compare Texts

How do animals help?

Dogs

Helping People





Buddy helped Morris get around.

Morris Frank was a blind man. He wanted help getting around. In 1928, Morris met a dog breeder named Dorothy Eustis. She taught Morris how to train a dog to guide him. Morris named his dog Buddy.



People and dogs help one another.

Dorothy and Morris wanted to help other blind people. So they started a school called The Seeing Eye. The school still trains guide dogs and helps new dog owners.



Make Connections

Look at both selections. How can animals help? [Text to Text](#)

Focus on Genre

Fantasy Fantasy is a story that could not happen in real life.

What to Look for In *Two Hungry Elephants*, the animals talk to each other. Real animals don't talk.

Your Turn

Pretend you're an animal. Draw a picture of yourself helping another animal. Write a sentence to tell how you helped.

Thinkmark

Characters

Who are the main characters in *Two Hungry Elephants*?

Plot

What is Tom and Lucy's problem in the story? How do they solve it?

Sequence of Events

What happens **first**, **next**, and **finally** in *Two Hungry Elephants*?