

## "Owen & Mzee"

#### Vocabulary

1. bond close relationship

2. suffered felt pain

3. intruder someone who does not belong

4. companion person to spend time with

5. enclosure fenced-in area

6. inseparable very close7. charged ran toward

8. chief most important

9. exhausted tired10. affection fondness

### Story Skill: Compare and Contrast

**Compare**: Find way that 2 or more things are similar. **Contrast**: Find ways that 2 or more things are different.

Think about similarities and differences.

Comparing and contrasting helps identify connections between characters and events.

#### Decoding Skill: VCCV Pattern

First, remove the affix (prefix or suffix). Then, determine the syllable pattern of VCCV or VCV. Divide the word into syllables before or after the word part.

#### Comprehension Questions

- 1. Why did Owen come to live at Haller Park?
- 2. According to Dr. Paula, how would hippos treat Owen different from other hippos?
- 3. How is Owen's enclosure at Haller Park like a hippo's natural habitat?
- 4. What happened to Owen and Mzee before they came to Haller Park?
- 5. What happened when Mzee first met Owen?
- 6. How does Mzee change in the story?
- 7. Give an opinion from the story?

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hundred supply single middle explain surprise pilgrim sandwich instead complete monster settle address farther sample although turtle athlete orchard kingdom

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