

**DIRECTIONS:**

Read the two (2) stories:  
Shelly the Sea Turtle and  
Lance the Land Turtle.

Use the Venn Diagram (2<sup>nd</sup>  
page) to label the parts  
(using letters A-H) to  
represent the comparison  
and contrast of the two  
stories.

*\*Remember: The outside  
part of the diagram  
represents the "Contrast"  
and the inside part  
represents the  
"Comparison"*

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Shelly the Sea Turtle

It was a warm, October day in the deep ocean where Shelly the sea turtle lived. He was munching on some seaweed when he spotted a small, tasty crab! He began swimming after the crab for his afternoon snack! As he swam, he used his webbed flippers to push himself through the water so fast and he tried to catch it. Later, he decided to go see his friend Squeaky the dolphin. Shelly and Squeaky loved spending time under the fishing pier waiting for the fishermen to drop some of the fish they caught. The only problem that day was that a hungry shark had decided to do the same thing! The huge shark began swimming all around and scared Shelly and Squeaky. Shelly wished he was like other turtles who could pull themselves inside their shell for protection but sea turtles aren't able to do that! The two friends didn't know what to do! Luckily, Squeaky remembered his mother had told him how to frighten a shark. He started swimming around in circles so fast that the shark got confused and swam away. Shelly and Squeaky spent the rest of the day having fun by playing tag and eating small fish.



Lance the Land Turtle

Lance the land turtle was laying on a log near a small pond. He had just finished eating his breakfast of yummy worms and insects. He couldn't decide if he wanted to go for an early morning swim or lay in the sun until his shell got so warm. Before long, he saw his grumpy neighbor, Rocky Raccoon putting his head out of his den. Rocky Raccoon had been trying to get his paws on Lance for a long time! Lance would always pull his body inside his shell to protect himself and Rocky would give up. Today, Lance didn't want to take the chance. He was scared of Rocky. So he slowly got up from the log and crawled to the pond. He used his webbed feet and long claws to help push himself into the water. At the bottom of the pond, he was surprised to see his best friend Larry the turtle. Larry told him that Rocky had scared him earlier and he was hiding too. That gave Lance an idea! The two friends decided to have some fun together and played hide and seek underwater for the rest of the morning.

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Shelly the  
Sea Turtle

Lance the  
Land Turtle

- A. Ate seaweed and crab
- B. The two friends played hide and seek
- C. Pulled himself into his shell
- D. Was scared
- E. Ate insects and worms
- F. Used flippers in the water
- G. Had fun in the water
- H. The two friends played tag

