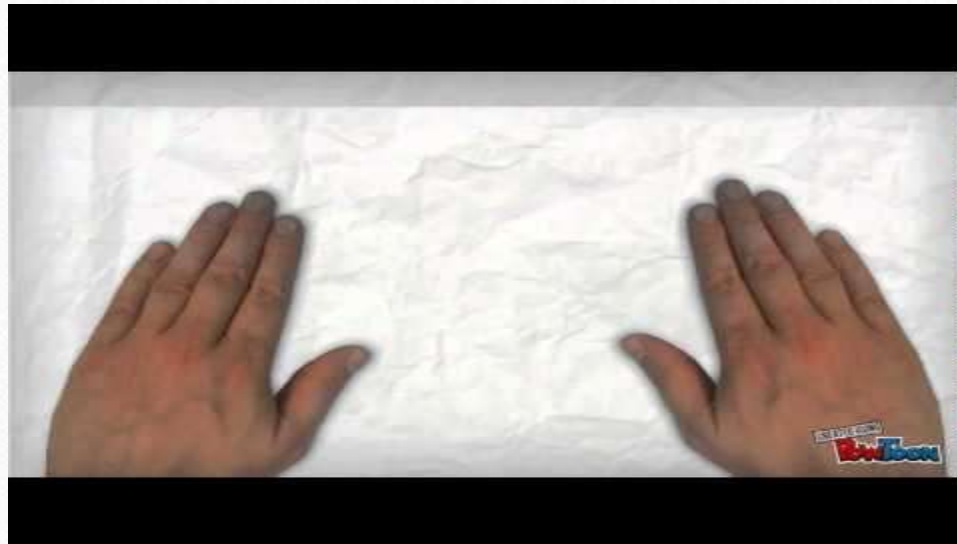


Paired Passages

What is a Paired Passage?

- Two passages about the same subject or with a common theme or author. After reading, students are asked questions about each individual passage as well as questions that incorporate both passages.

Why are we doing Paired Passages?



What am I really asking you to do?

- Compare characters, their personalities and actions
- Compare story events and plots lines
- Compare lessons, theme, or messages in stories
- Compare theme, ideas, issues in fiction/nonfiction
- Find common themes, writing style, or perspectives in the work of a single author
- Compare the treatment of common themes by different authors
- Compare different versions of familiar stories

Questioning

- What is a major idea found in both selections/stories?
- The story and the article both present ideas about_____.
- Why was ___mentioned in both the ____ and the _____?
- What is the theme in both selections?
- What do the lessons in ___ and ___ have in common?
- What is the common theme in both stories?
- In comparing ___ and ___, what was the difference in the moral lessons?
- A theme found in both stories is_____.