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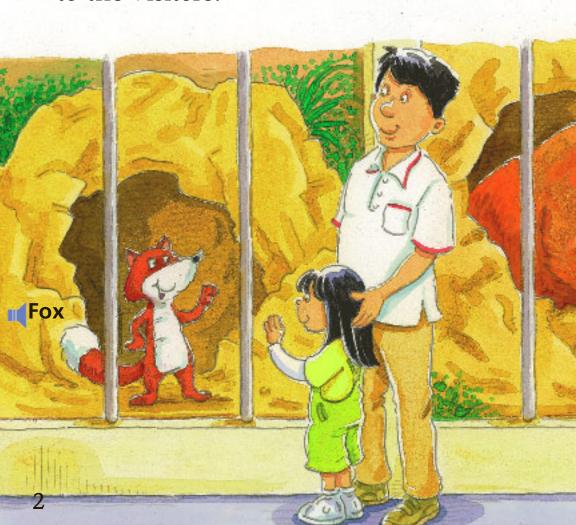
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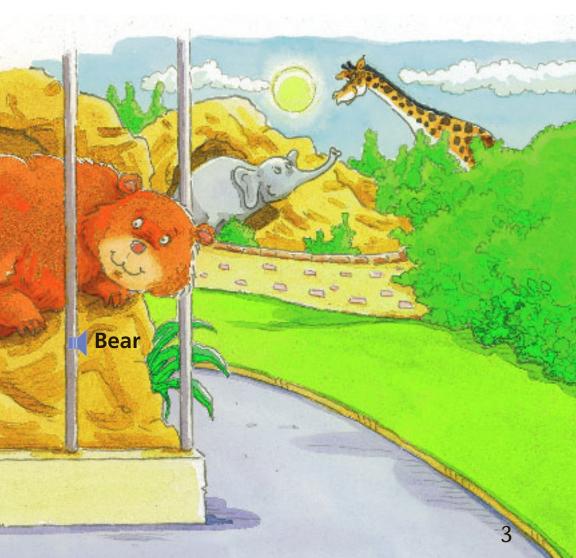
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- Fox and Bear slept in caves inside their cages at the zoo.
- They came out of their caves every morning and said hello to the visitors.



The people loved to see the animals.And the animals loved to see the people.



One day, Lion moved to the zoo.

Fox said, "Let's have a party so Lion can meet all the animals!"

"That's a great idea!" said Bear.



- Fox made a good plan for the party.
- She told her plan to Lion and to the other animals.

 They were all very excited!



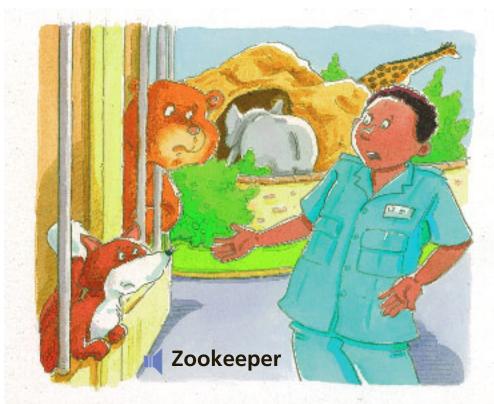
Then Fox told the zookeeper about the party.

"That's impossible," said the zookeeper.

"Animals don't have parties!"

The animals were very sad.

They went back into their caves.



- The visitors came to the zoo the next day.
- They wanted to see the animals.

 But the animals did not come out of their caves.

They did not say hello.

They were too sad.



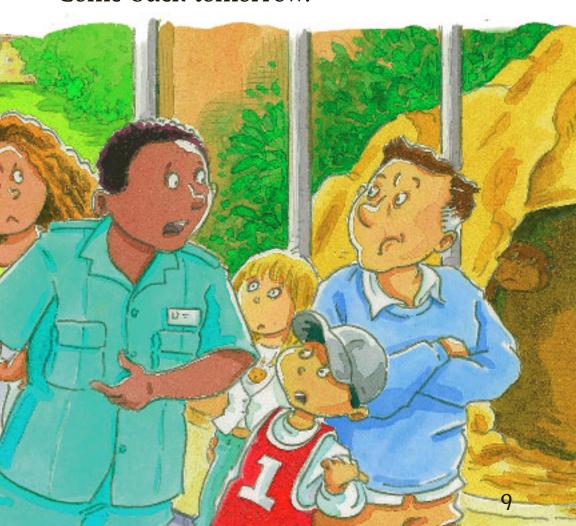
- The people were very unhappy.

 They went to talk to the zookeeper.
- One boy said, "Where are the animals?"

One woman said, "None of the animals came to say hello!"

- The zookeeper said to the visitors, "I understand why you are upset.
- I believe I can solve the problem, and everyone will be happy.

 Come back tomorrow."



- That night, the animals had a big party.
- And the next day, they happily came out of their caves.

 The people loved seeing the animals.

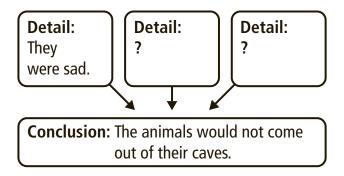
 And the animals loved seeing
- Now, the animals have a party every time a new animal comes to live at the zoo.

the people.



Responding

TARGET SKILL Conclusions Why wouldn't the animals greet the visitors? Copy the chart. Add two details from the story that matches the conclusion.



Write About It

Text to Text Have you read a different story where a character asks someone to do something for them? Write a letter to persuade a character from a story to do something for someone else.

TARGET VOCABULARY

believe impatient demand impossible furious problem understand

- TARGET SKILL Conclusions Use details to figure out more about the text.
- TARGET STRATEGY Infer/Predict Use clues to figure out more about story parts.
- **GENRE Humorous fiction** is a story that is written to make the reader laugh.

Level: H DRA: 14

Genre:

Humorous Fiction

Strategy: Infer/Predict

Skill:

Conclusions

Word Count: 271



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