



Grade 1 Reading Comprehension Worksheet

Read the short story. Then answer each question.

At the Zoo

By William Makepeace Thackeray

First I saw the white bear, then I saw the black;

Then I saw the camel with a hump upon his back;

Then I saw the grey wolf, with mutton in his maw;

Then I saw the wombat waddle in the straw;

Then I saw the elephant a-waving of his trunk;

Then I saw the monkeys — mercy, how unpleasantly
they smelt!



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Questions:

1. What colors were the two bears?

2. What did the camel have upon his back?

3. What did the wombat do in the straw?

4. Which is the last animal that was seen?

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Answers:

1. What colors were the two bears?

The two bears were white and black.

2. What did the camel have upon his back?

The camel had a hump upon his back.

3. What did the wombat do in the straw?

The wombat waddled in the straw.

4. Which is the last animal that was seen?

The last animal that was seen was a monkey.