Passage 1  Story Elements

**Rabbit Laughs**

Long ago, there lived a rabbit. Rabbit had a field. It was filled with weeds. Rabbit wanted to plant food. So she had to get rid of the weeds. But Rabbit was lazy. She did not want to pull up the weeds.

Rabbit thought of a plan. She got a rope. She walked to one side of the field. There she found a big hippo. "I bet I can pull harder on this rope than you!" Rabbit told Hippo. "Just hold one end. Wait until I start to pull."

Then Rabbit took the other end of the rope. She walked to the other side of the field. There she found an elephant. "I bet I can pull harder than you!" Rabbit said. "Just hold this rope until I start to pull."

Rabbit went to the middle. She gave a tug on the rope. Hippo and Elephant began to pull on each end. They pulled hard. The rope went this way and that. It cut down the weeds. Soon the weeds were gone!

Rabbit hopped over to Hippo. "Thanks!" she said. Then she hopped back to Elephant. "Thanks!" she said.

Elephant and Hippo asked, "But who is pulling the other end of the rope if you are hopping?"

How that Rabbit laughed!

1. **Where does this story take place?**
   - A  a sea
   - B  a mountain
   - C  a field
   - D  a zoo

2. **What was Rabbit's problem?**

3. **Which word best describes Rabbit?**
   - A  sad
   - B  helpful
   - C  mad
   - D  tricky