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"I have a banana in my lunch box.

I don't like bananas," said Horse.



"I will take it," said Monkey.
"I like bananas."



"I have a bone in my lunch box," said Rabbit.
"I don't like bones!"



"I will take that bone," said Dog.
"I like bones."



"My lunch box has an apple in it," said Dog.
"I don't like apples."



"I will take the apple," said Horse.
"I like apples a lot!"



"I have a fish in my lunch bag," said Cat.
"I **love** fish!"



Rabbit and Dog and Horse and Monkey looked at the lunch boxes.

They were all mixed up!



They changed lunch boxes.

And they all had
a very nice lunch.

Responding

Characters A cat and a dog are characters in this story.
What do they say and do?
What does this tell you about them? Make a chart.



Write About It

Text to World Draw three pictures of a boy or girl eating lunch. Label the pictures "First," "Next," and "Last."



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take

LEARN MORE WORDS

banana

boxes

TARGET SKILL Understanding

Characters Tell more about characters.

- TARGET STRATEGY Summarize Stop to tell important events as you read.
- **■GENRE Fiction** is a story that is made up.

Level: D

DRA: 6

Genre:

Fiction

Strategy:

Summarize

Skill:

Understanding Characters

Word Count: 115



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