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## Characters in Contrast Answer Key

### Character Comparison Chart (Sample Answers)

#### Traits

- Lena: Encouraging, hardworking, supportive.
- Maya: Dedicated, determined, ambitious.

#### Actions

- Lena: Leads the team, practices extra, encourages teammates.
- Maya: Practices violin daily, sacrifices time with friends.

#### Motivations

- Lena: Wants her team to succeed and inspire others.
- Maya: Wants a scholarship and to make her family proud.

#### Similarities

- Both are hardworking and willing to sacrifice for their goals.
- Both believe dedication will lead to success.

#### Question

(Answers will vary.) Example: I relate more to Maya because I also practice a skill every day and want to make my family proud.

#### Teacher Notes/Guide

- This chart structure helps students **organize text evidence** clearly.
- Encourage students to cite specific words/phrases (e.g., "Lena always practiced extra hours" shows hardworking).
- The final open-ended question builds **personal connection and empathy**, strengthening comprehension.
- Extension: Students could **write a short paragraph** comparing Lena and Maya, using the chart as their outline.