



## Comparing Sculptling Books

**Robby the Naughty Mouse**

**Slater the Skater**



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### Compare Books

Try comparing the story Robby the Naughty Mouse with other Sculptlings Books, such as Slater the Skater and compare the 2 messages.

Try comparing the characters and their lessons. How are they different? How are they the same?

**Example Comparison:** Both Robby and Slater make mistakes but learn to make better choices. Robby can't control his anger and gets into fights when he's upset. Slater skates where he shouldn't and gets his friend into trouble. Even though their problems are different, both learn to use self-control and to think before they act.

### Ideas for how to review these books with your Preschool kids.

- What is a Good Choice vs. a Bad Choice?** *Goal: Help kids understand that everyone makes mistakes, but we can learn to do better.*
- What should you do when you feel mad or upset?** *(Discussion: You can take a deep breath, count to ten, or walk away before saying or doing something mean.)*
- What does it mean to "think before you act"?** *(Discussion: It means to stop and ask yourself if what you're about to do is kind, safe, and fair. If it might hurt someone's feelings or break a rule, try a better choice instead.)*

### Discussion Questions for Advanced Readers (Ages 6–7)

Help older kids think more critically and connect the story to real-life situations:

- Discuss What should you do when you feel mad or upset?** *(Take deep breaths, count to ten.*
- Why is it important to calm down when we are upset before we react?** *When we calm down, we can think more clearly and don't hurt our friends or ourselves.)*
- What does it mean to "think before you act"?** *(Thinking first means to stop and think about what we are going to do before we do it so we make better choices and feel proud of ourselves.)*
- What does it mean to have self-control?** *(means you can stop yourself from doing something that might be hurtful or not a good idea. Have you ever really wanted something but had to wait? What helps you make a better choice when it's hard?*



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### Compare & Reflect Discussion - Sample Activities

At first, they both make mistakes. Not because they're bad, but because they don't always think things through. Robby has trouble controlling his temper and sometimes fights when he's upset. Slater skates where he shouldn't and ends up getting his friends into trouble. In the end, they both learn to pause, think, and use self-control. By doing this, they make kinder choices and become better friends to everyone around them.

#### How Their Lessons Are the Same:

- Both learn to think first and not just act out.
- Both learn that doing the right thing helps them and their friends.
- Both stories teach about self-control, friendship, and making good choices.

#### How Their Lessons Are Different:

- Robby's lesson is about self-control. He learns not to fight and to stay calm when he's angry.
- Slater's lesson is about good decision-making. He learns to follow rules and keep his friends safe.

**In Short:** Robby learns to control his feelings and Slater learns to control his actions. Both learn that when you make good choices, good things happen!



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#### Compare & Reflect Discussion - Sample Activities

##### Key Similarities Between Robby and Slater:

- Both are boys who make mistakes.** Robby gets into fights. Slater skates where he shouldn't.
- Both get into trouble for their actions.** Robby gets blamed for fighting. Slater gets grounded for skating in the wrong place.
- Both learn an important lesson.** Robby learns to use *self-control*. Slater learns to *make good choices*.
- Both want to do the right thing.** Even when they mess up, they both try to help others.
- Both care about their friends.** Robby stands up for friends who are bullied. Slater helps his friend learn to skate.
- Both stories teach about thinking before acting.** Robby learns not to fight first. Slater learns to be careful and not get others in trouble.
- Both learn from people who care about them.** Santa teaches Robby about self-control. Slater learns through his parents and by helping his friend.
- Both stories have happy endings.** Robby starts getting presents instead of coal. Slater becomes a better friend and good role model.
- Both characters grow and change.** They start out doing wrong things but end up making better choices.
- Both teach kids to do the right thing.** Robby shows it's better to stay calm. Slater shows it's better to think before acting.



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##### Key Differences Between Robby and Slater:

**What gets them into trouble:** ***Robby** gets into fights when he feels upset. **Slater** gets into trouble for skating where he shouldn't.*

**How they act when something goes wrong:** ***Robby** argues and tries to prove he's right. **Slater** helps his friend, even if he has to take the blame.*

**Who teaches them a lesson:** ***Robby** learns from Santa Claus. **Slater** learns from his parents and his mistakes.*

**What lesson they learn:** ***Robby** learns self-control, not to fight when he's mad. **Slater** learns to make good choices and keep friends safe.*

**How they change at the end:** ***Robby** becomes calm and kind and stops fighting. **Slater** becomes helpful and responsible and shows others how to do right.*

**Where the story takes place:** ***Robby's** story happens mostly at school and around Christmas time. **Slater's** story happens outside while skating with friends.*

**Type of trouble they cause:** ***Robby's** trouble comes from fighting and arguing. **Slater's** trouble comes from breaking rules and skating in the wrong place.*

**How others see them:** ***Robby** gets blamed by other mice for things he doesn't always do. **Slater** is seen as cool but careless because of his skating tricks.*

**What their story teaches kids:** ***Robby's story** teaches about self-control and peaceful choices. **Slater's story** teaches about safety, friendship, and good decisions.*



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### Discussion Questions:

1. What did both characters do that got them in trouble?
2. Who do you think learned their lesson more quickly? Why?
3. What can we learn from Robby and Slater about making good choices?
4. Have you ever made a mistake like Robby or Slater? What did you do to fix it?

### Create a Compare & Contrast Chart

Story Element	Robby the Naughty Mouse	Slater the Skater	How They Are Alike
<b>Who is the main character?</b>	Robby the Mouse	Slater the Skater	Both sometimes make mistakes.
<b>What do they like to do?</b>	Robby likes to stand up for himself and his friends.	Slater likes to skateboard and do tricks.	Both like to show they are brave and strong.
<b>What problems do they have?</b>	Robby fights when he gets upset.	Slater skates where he shouldn't.	Both make bad choices sometimes.
<b>What happens because of their choices?</b>	Robby gets in trouble and blamed for fighting.	Slater and his friend get in trouble for skating where they shouldn't.	Both learn that their actions can hurt others or cause trouble.
<b>Who helps them learn a lesson?</b>	Santa teaches Robby about self-control.	Slater learns by receiving a consequence from his parents.	Both learn from people who care about them.
<b>What lesson do they learn?</b>	Robby learns to stop fighting and use self-control.	Slater learns to make good choices and keep his friends safe.	Both learn to think before they act.
<b>How do they change?</b>	Robby becomes kind and calm.	Slater becomes caring and responsible.	Both become kinder and better friends.
<b>What is the story's message?</b>	"Use self-control and think before you fight."	"Make good choices and be safe with friends."	Both teach kids how to do the right thing.



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**3. What do BOTH Robby and Slater learn?**

- A. How to make good choices
- B. How to stop fighting
- C. How to stay out of places they don't belong

**4. What makes Robby get into trouble?**

- A. He fights when he's mad
- B. He is always angry
- C. He enjoys fighting

**5. What makes Slater get into trouble?**

- A. He skates where he shouldn't
- B. He skates to his friend's house
- C. He teaches his friend how to skate



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**6. Who teaches Robby to be good?**

- A. Santa
- B. His teacher
- C. His best friend

**7. Who teaches Slater a lesson?**

- A. His friends
- B. Santa
- C. A Police officer

**8. How are Robby and Slater the same?**

- A. They both learn to think before they act
- B. They both like to fight
- C. They both skate where they don't belong

**9. What helps both of them become better friends?**

- A. Using self-control
- B. Fighting with others
- C. Skating fast

**10. How do both stories end?**

- A. They both learn to make better decisions
- B. They both run away
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- A. Talking too much
- B. Fighting when he gets upset
- C. Getting others into trouble

**2. Why does Slater get in trouble?**

- A. He skates where he's not supposed to
- B. Fighting when he gets upset
- C. He doesn't share with his friends

**3. What do both Robby and Slater need to learn?**

- A. To not go into places they don't belong
- B. To use self-control and make good choices
- C. To control their tempers

**4. Who teaches Robby an important lesson?**

- A. His parents
- B. A Police officer
- C. Santa Claus

**5. What lesson does Robby learn?**

- A. To stop fighting and use self-control
- B. To stay out of Private property
- C. To not get his friend into trouble



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**6. How does Slater help his new friend?**

- A. He teaches him how to skate safely
- B. He buys him a skateboard
- C. He tells him to stop skating

**7. What mistake does Slater make after helping his friend?**

- A. He skates on private property and gets caught
- B. He breaks his skateboard and gets caught
- C. He argues with a Police officer

**8. How are Robby and Slater alike?**

- A. They both care about their friends
- B. They both like to skate
- C. They both get angry quickly

**9. How are Robby and Slater different?**

- A. One learns to think before they act and the other stops and thinks
- B. They both learn self-control
- C. One makes mistakes and the other bad choices

**10. What lesson do *both* stories teach?**

- A. It's okay to do what you want
- B. It's best to think before you act and make kind choices
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