

The image features three stylized, 3D white human-like figures standing against a light gray background. Each figure is holding a large, colorful puzzle piece. The figure on the left holds a blue piece, the middle figure holds a green piece, and the figure on the right holds a red piece. The puzzle pieces are interlocking and positioned in front of the figures. The text is overlaid on the central green puzzle piece.

Mini-Activity Week 2

Comparing writers' methods

Read both of the extracts below. Each writer clearly states their thoughts and feelings about animals – but they also reveal their ideas and perspectives through their descriptions of the animals' appearance and behaviour.

- ***Text C: 'Puppy love: "Do I like dogs more than people?"'***

Then there were her own peculiar wants: her love for Mini Babybels, swimming, BBC nature documentaries and cartoonishly huge sticks. She'd made the odd decision that her bedtime was 22:30. Every night at that point, give or take 10 minutes, she'd give a noisy yawn and trot happily upstairs. The continual, daily surprise was that Parker was a creature of her own wills, moods and curiosities. And by this point, I couldn't believe how much I loved her.

- ***Text D: In the Shadow of Man***

Without any doubt whatsoever, this was the proudest moment I had known. I had been accepted by the two magnificent creatures grooming each other in front of me. I knew them both - David Graybeard, who had always been the least afraid of me, was one and the other was Goliath, not the giant his name implies but of superb physique and the highest-ranking of all the males. Their coats gleamed vivid black in the softening light of the evening.

Copy and complete the table below, adding **at least two** quotations from each text in which the writers create an impression of the animals they are describing.

Text C: Puppy love	Text D: In the Shadow of Man
'her love for Mini Babybels, swimming, BBC nature documentaries and cartoonishly huge sticks'	'magnificent creatures'

Look up the quotations you have noted. Copy and complete the table below, ticking either 'Text C' or 'Text D' to compare the ways in which the writers describe the animals' appearance and behaviour.

	Text C ✓	Text D ✓
Focuses on appearance		
Focuses on behaviour		
Suggests admiration		
Suggests affection		
Uses adjectives		
Uses a list		
Creates humour		
Creates a vivid image		