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## Battle of the Beasts



Write a short story describing a battle between two animals. Use the specific sentence requirements below to build tension, imagery, and action.

Sentence 1: Introduce the two animals and hint at their rivalry.

Example: In the heart of the desert, the eagle circled as the cobra coiled below—each waiting for the other to strike.

Sentence 2: Describe the setting using sensory detail (sight, sound, smell, etc.).

Example: The sun scorched the cracked earth, and the air buzzed with heat and hunger.

Sentence 3: Use a simile to describe one of the animals.

Example: The cobra moved like a whispering rope, smooth and silent across the sand.

**Sentence 4:** Introduce the first moment of **conflict**.

Example: With a screech, the eagle dove, talons flashing like knives.

**Sentence 5:** Include a line of **dialogue** from a bystander or narrator reacting to the fight.

Example: "This is nature's law," whispered the ranger, watching through his binoculars.

Sentence 6: Use one of these words: brutal, swift, ancient, fearless.

Example: The cobra's strike was swift, aiming for the heart with ancient precision.

**Sentence 7:** Write a sentence with exactly **five words**.

Example: Dust swirled around the fighters.

Sentence 8: Begin the sentence with As...

Example: As the world held its breath, the two paused mid-battle, eyes locked.

**Sentence 9:** Describe a **turning point** in the fight.

Example: Just as the cobra lunged again, the eagle spun upward, dragging it into the air.

Sentence 10: End with a cliffhanger or moment of uncertainty.

Example: As the two vanished into the clouds, no one could say who would fall first.





