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PreK through 2nd Grade. Story Poem – The Big Cat And The Little Cat. Directions: Print out. Read the story poem. Use it to do the activities.

NAME ________________________________

Line The Big Cat And The Little Cat
1 The big cat slept by the fire.
2 The little cat sat down beside her.
3 The big cat stretched out her paws.
4 The little cat gave them her claws.
5 The big cat gave a big stare.
6 The little cat continued to dare.
7 The big cat boxed her away.
8 The little cat wanted to stay.
9 The little cat pulled in her claws.
10 The big cat stretched out her paws.
11 The big cat slept by the fire.
12 The little cat slept right beside her.

END.
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1. There are ___________ lines in the story poem?

2. The big cat sat by the _______. (Line 1)

3. The little cat sat down _______ _______. (Line 2)

4. The big cat stretched out her _______. (Line 3)
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5. The little cat gave them her ______. (Line 4)

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6. The big cat gave a big ______. (Line 5)

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7. The little cat continued to ________. (Line 6)

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8. The big cat boxed her ________. (Line 7)

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9. The little cat wanted to ________. (Line 8)

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10. The little cat pulled in her __________. (Line 9)

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11. The big cat stretched out her __________. (Line 10)

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12. The big cat slept by the __________. (Line 11)

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13. The little cat slept right beside _______. (Line 12)
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14. The title of the story poem is “The _______ Cat And The _______ Cat.
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15. The word “big” is mentioned in _____________ lines.

16. The word “little” is mentioned in _____________ lines.
For example: cat and sat.

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_____ a t        _____ a t

_____ a w s      _____l a w s

_____ _____ a r e  _____ a r e

_____ w a y      _____ _____ a y

_____ i r e      _____ e s l d e _____ e r

LETTER KEY LIST:

a    f    c    h    s    t    s
b    d    p    c
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KEY WORD LIST: boxed continued gave gave
pulled sat slept slept slept stretched
stretched wanted.

1. The big cat ______ by the fire. (Line 1)

____________________________________________________

2. The little cat ______ down beside her. (Line 2)

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3. The big cat ______ out her paws. (Line 3)

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4. The little cat _______ them her claws. (Line 4)

_______________________________________________

5. The big cat ______ a big stare. (Line 5)

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6. The little cat ______ to dare. (Line 6)

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7. The big cat ______ her away. (Line 7)

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8. The little cat ________ to stay. (Line 8)

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9. The little cat ______ in her claws. (Line 9)

________________________________________________________________________

10. The big cat _______ out her paws. (Line 10)

________________________________________________________________________

11. The big cat ______ by the fire. (Line 11)

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12. The little cat ________ right beside her. (Line 12)

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13. The title of the story poem is “The _____ _____ And The _____ _____.”

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Vocabulary words: (29 words.)

A  a    away
B  beside   big   boxed   by
C  cat    claws    continued
D  dare    down
E  fire
F  gave
G  her
H  in
I  little
L  little
O  out
P  paws    pulled
R  right
S  sat    slept    stare    stay    stretched
T  the    them    to
W  wanted
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**Rhyming words:** Every two lines rhyme in the story poem. *Examples:*
cat, sat (lines 1 & 2); fire, beside her (lines 1 & 2); paws, claws (lines 3 & 4); stare, dare (lines 5 & 6); away, stay (lines 7 & 8); claws, paws (lines 9 & 10); fire, beside her (lines 11 & 12).

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Patterns:
The first 8 lines begin by alternating the words, “The big cat, The little cat.” Then, the pattern changes on lines 9 & 10 to begin the sentence with “The little cat, The big cat.” On lines 11 & 12, the previous pattern returns to “The big cat, The little cat.” This change goes with the change in the story and the favorable outcome. Words are repeated throughout the story poem.

1. Which lines repeat the word “slept”?

Lines __________, _________ and __________.

____________________________________________________________________

2. Which lines repeat the word “stretched”?

Lines __________ and __________.
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3. Which lines repeat the word “gave”? 

Lines _________ and _________.

____________________________________________________

4. Which lines repeat the word “big”? 

Lines ________, ________, ________,

__________, _______, and _________.

____________________________________________________

5. Which lines repeat the word “little”? 

Lines ________, ________, ________,

__________, _______, and _________.

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6. Which lines repeat the words “the” and “cat”?

Lines ________, ________, ________, ________, ________, ________, ________, ________, ________, ________, and ________.__________________________________________________________
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