

**Book Study: Lisa Campbell Ernst
Compare/Contrast Literary Elements**

Literary Element	<i>Zinnia and Dot</i>	<i>Bubba and Trixie</i>	Same	Different
Characters	Two hens, Zinnia and Dot; a weasel; doves; and a baby chick.	Caterpillar, Bubba; Ladybug, Trixie.		
Setting	Chicken coop and farmyard.	Parsley plant, mint bush and surrounding garden.		
Plot	Zinnia and Dot are not friends and argue a lot. During an argument, both Zinnia and Dot's eggs are eaten by a weasel-only one egg remains. They must learn to share and protect the egg. When the egg hatches, they realize that they can both love the chick as well as be friends.	Bubba is afraid of everything. Then, he meets Trixie who helps him to overcome his fears. At the beginning of winter, Bubba realizes that he will soon start the process of turning into a caterpillar and he becomes scared again. When Trixie wakes Bubba in the spring, he has changed into a butterfly. Bubba realizes that although he has changed on the outside, inside he feels the same and he and Trixie can still be the best of friends.		
Conflict Resolution	After the weasel almost eats Zinnia and Dot's one remaining egg, they begin to realize that they must work together to save the baby chick.	After Bubba has changed into a butterfly and realizes that he and Trixie are still friends, he knows that he will have a friend to help him when he becomes scared.		