



TWO BROTHERS



Synopsis

Twin tiger cubs—one shy and gentle, the other, bold and fierce— are born among the temple ruins of an exotic jungle but are separated by fate. The bold brother is sold off to a circus, where homesickness and living in a cage rob him of his spirit. The shy cub becomes the beloved companion for the governor's lonely young son, until an accident forces the family to give him away to a man who resolves to break his gentle nature and turn him into a fighter for sport. When they are fully grown, the brothers find themselves reunited—but as forced enemies pitted against each other.

Discussion Questions

- Aidan McRory was hired by villages to come in and hunt tigers. For payment he was given historic ancient ruins to bring back to Europe to sell. Why was it so important for the villagers to rid of the tigers that they were willing to sell of bits of their history?
- The brother tigers are very playful and rowdy. In fact, you can almost see some attributes that humans also have when they play together. What about their relationship seemed almost human to you? Does any of their interaction remind you of your own family?
- The tiger cub that is taken by Aidan after its father is killed becomes quite attached to Aidan? Why do you think this happened so quickly?
- Both tigers are taken as cubs and raised separately. When they meet in the ring to fight each other they have vastly different personalities. What are the differences and how were they raised that made them so different? Have you ever seen siblings in human families who turn out very different from each other? What are some of the thoughts you have to explain those differences?
- Why were Raoul and Aidan so worried about the tigers when they were set free? Aidan almost killed the tiger that he had raised. What was he trying to prevent? Who was he trying to save?











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Activities

- Research the history of human interaction with the tiger. At one time they were revered, almost godlike. In the film they were used for entertainment by circuses. Through some of your research explain how this relationship changed and why?
- Study your pets at home. Are tigers really just big cats? Do you see any similarities between the way your animals act at home and the way Kumal and Sangha acted in the film? What are the biggest differences?

Get Involved

- At the end of the movie we learned the number of the tiger population we have lost, mostly because of humans. Their population has reached staggeringly low numbers for an animal that used to be the "King of the Jungle." Make a donation or create an event to raise money for a group such as the World Wildlife Fund, which seeks to protect animals, just like these tigers. Visit www.worldwildlife.org for more information on how to help.
- At one time in history it was very popular for people with a lot of money to go on hunting trips to shoot big game. Now it is illegal in most places because many of those species are endangered or even close to extinction. The act of killing these off-limit animals is called "poaching." Create

a video advertisement which could act as a public service announcement against poaching. Post your PSA on YouTube.







