Giant Difference

Lesson Plan for *Giants*
Grade 2

Objective
To help students compare the sizes of objects by solving simple word problems.

Things Needed
- *Giants* book
- Comparing Sizes worksheet (attached)

Before the Activity
Read *Giants* out loud to students. Print a copy of the Comparing Sizes worksheet for each student.

Activity
Pass out the Comparing Sizes worksheets. Explain that this worksheet includes a list of items and tells how tall each one is. Students should use these heights to answer the questions. For some questions, students can just compare numbers. For other questions, students will need to set up and solve simple word problems.

Evaluation
Award students up to **9** points for the worksheet:
- 1 point for each correct answer
- 1 point for showing their work for the word problems

Standards
This lesson plan may be used to address the Common Core State Standards' math standards, grade 2 (M.2MD.B.5).

Comparing Sizes

Name: _____

Giant 1: 40 feet tall	An Olympic high-diving board: 75 feet tall
Giant 2: 12 feet tall	A tall person: 6 feet tall
A house: 25 feet tall	A basketball hoop: 10 feet tall

1. Which item is tallest?

2. Which item is shortest?

3. Which is taller, a basketball hoop or Giant 2?

4. How much taller is Giant 1 than a house? Show your work.

5. How many tall people would it take to be as tall as Giant 2? Show your work.

6. How many basketball hoops would it take to be as tall as Giant 1? Show your work.

Comparing Sizes Answer Key

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2. Which item is shortest?
A tall person

3. Which is taller, a basketball hoop or Giant 2?
Giant 2

4. How much taller is Giant 1 than a house? Show your work.
40 feet – 25 feet = 15 feet

5. How many tall people would it take to be as tall as Giant 2? Show your work.
6 feet + 6 feet = 12 feet
1 + 1 = 2 tall people

6. How many basketball hoops would it take to be as tall as Giant 1? Show your work.
10 feet + 10 feet + 10 feet + 10 feet = 40 feet
1 + 1 + 1 + 1 = 4 basketball hoops