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# Short Story of a Hybrid Species

1. Adjective _____
2. Hybrid _____
3. Animalone _____
4. Animaltwo _____
5. Unintentional _____
6. Intentional _____
7. Animaltwo _____
8. Body Part _____
9. Animalone _____
10. Body Part _____
11. Animaltwo _____
12. Hybrid _____
13. Admixture _____
14. Animalone _____
15. Habitat _____
16. Animaltwo _____
17. Habitat _____
18. Hybrid _____
19. Hybrid Zone _____
20. Hybrid _____
21. Behavior _____
22. Behavior _____
23. Behavior _____

24. Hybrid Vigor
25. Animaltwo
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27. Hybrid
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Recently, _____Adjective_____ evolutionary biologists discovered a new hybrid species they have named _____hybrid_____. This animal is a hybrid of the common species of _____animalone_____ and the endangered _____animaltwo_____. This hybridization was _____unintentional_____ as opposed to _____intentional_____, since it was not carefully planned with the goal of preserving the endangered _____animaltwo_____ 's genes. The hybrid name has the _____body part_____ of the _____animalone_____ and the _____body part_____ of the _____animaltwo_____, clearly a novel phenotype. Surprisingly, the _____hybrid_____ is viable and fertile. As a result of backcrossing and introgression, the resulting genome of the hybrid species is a mixture of two discrete ancestries, or in other words an _____admixture_____ of both parentals. While _____animalone_____ lives in _____habitat_____ and _____animaltwo_____ lives in _____habitat_____, the _____hybrid_____ lives in a _____hybrid zone_____, or the narrow geographical region where two genetically distinct populations or species are found in close proximity to each other . The _____hybrid_____ has many interesting behaviors, including _____behavior_____ _____behavior_____ _____behavior_____. Many biologists have been studying these new hybrids in their natural habitats, and surprisingly enough, their observations have revealed that this hybrid is more fit than either of their parent species, a phenomenon termed _____hybrid vigor_____. Many in the evolutionary biology field have begun debating whether this hybrid is contributing to the conservation of it's endangered parental species, the _____animaltwo_____, or if it is instead putting them further in danger of extinction. As the debate continues, the _____Adjective_____ _____hybrid_____ will continue to live a _____Adjective_____ life and experience further speciation.

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