Rhino: Two Equal Shelves

One careful move · A read-aloud rhyme

Under the baobab, in the shade,
Rhino checks the shares he made.
Two low shelves are waiting there;
Every parcel needs a share.

Six sit here and four sit there.
Rhino wants a fairer share.
All ten parcels stay in sight.
He can make the two sides right.

Touch each parcel, one by one.
Counting shows what must be done.
Six is more and four is less.
Look again; there is no guess.

Move one parcel across the space.
Give that parcel a new place.
One shelf loses; one shelf gains.
All ten parcels still remain.

Five and five, the shelves now show.
Rhino checks before they go.
Keep the whole and change the share.
One small move can make things fair.



Move. Compare. Check both sides.

Elephant's thought: one transfer changes both groups.

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