

Common Ground

vs.

Battleground

On common ground
we meet and talk;
on the battleground
we shout and confront.

On common ground
we stand and join hands;
on the battleground
we make fists and fall.

On common ground
we collaborate and move on;
on the battleground
we separate and dig in.

The battleground is for
enmity and conflict;
the common ground is for
amity and consensus.

The battleground is for
division and opposition;
the common ground is for
cohesion and cooperation.

The battleground is for
destruction and desolation;
the common ground is for
cultivation and consolation.

On common ground,
therefore,
we find fertile soil
for growth.
On the battleground,
however,
there is only sterile earth
for burial.

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