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The Hen Who Hatched a Red Sock

Circle group

Hen Dot sat on her nest. She sat and sat. She wanted an egg.

Then she felt a soft thing. It was not an egg. It was a red sock!

"Cluck!" said Dot. "I did not lay a sock!"

Dot ran to the farmer. He began to laugh. "That is my sock," he said. "The wind blew it into your nest."

He got his sock. Dot sat down. Soon she had a big egg.

Questions

1. What did Dot want in her nest?

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2. What color was the sock?

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3. Who did Dot run to?

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4. What put the sock in the nest?

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5. Why did the farmer laugh?

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Words to know

nest: a home that a bird makes for its eggs
sock: something soft you wear on your foot
farmer: a person who grows food and keeps animals
wind: air that moves outside

Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
2. What did your sheet tell you that you think another group's did not? Ask them.
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Triangle group

Hen Dot sat on her nest. She sat and sat. She wanted an egg.

Then she felt something soft. Dot looked down. It was not an egg. It was a red sock with a hole in it!

"Cluck, cluck!" said Dot. "I did not lay a sock!"

Dot ran to the farmer. The farmer began to laugh. "That is my sock," he said. "The wind blew it off the line and into your nest."

The farmer took his sock. Dot sat back down. Soon she had a big, brown egg, and it was just right.

Questions

1. What did Dot want in her nest?

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2. What color was the sock?

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3. Who did Dot run to?

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4. How did the sock get into the nest?

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5. Why did the farmer laugh?

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Square group

Hen Dot settled down on her nest. She sat for a very long time because she wanted to lay an egg.

Suddenly she felt something soft underneath her. When she looked down, it was not an egg at all. It was a red sock with a hole in the toe!

"Cluck, cluck!" cried Dot. "I certainly did not lay a sock!"

Dot hurried across the yard to the farmer. The farmer began to chuckle. "That is my sock," he explained. "The wind blew it off the clothesline and straight into your nest."

The farmer took back his sock. Dot sat down again, and before long she had a big, brown egg that was exactly right.

Questions

1. What did Dot want to lay in her nest?

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2. What color was the sock Dot found?

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3. Who did Dot hurry across the yard to find?

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4. How did the sock end up in the nest?

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5. Why did the farmer chuckle when he heard Dot?

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For the teacher: The Hen Who Hatched a Red Sock

Each student sheet carries a shape, not a level. The same topic and facts, written three ways.

Circle: The Hen Who Hatched a Red Sock

Easier · 74 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -1.2

1. She wanted an egg.
2. It was red.
3. She ran to the farmer.
4. The wind.
5. A hen thought she laid a sock. That was funny.

Triangle: The Hen Who Hatched a Red Sock

This passage · 95 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -0.4

1. She wanted an egg.
2. It was red.
3. She ran to the farmer.
4. The wind blew it off the line.
5. A hen thought she had laid a sock, which was a funny mix-up.

Square: The Hen Who Hatched a Red Sock

Harder · 115 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 2.4

1. She wanted to lay an egg.
2. It was red.
3. She hurried to the farmer.
4. The wind blew it off the clothesline.
5. Dot thought she had laid a sock, which was a funny mix-up.