

Animal Stories

Question booklet

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Practice questions

(page 5)

A Where did the hens live?

in the pond

in the field

in the woods

in the coop

B How did the dog know that the fox was nearby?

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(pages 5 - 6)

1 What is the main idea at the beginning of the story?

The fox wanted to teach the dog a lesson.

The fox wanted the dog to ask about his family.

The fox wanted to trick the dog.

The fox wanted the dog to look after the hens.

(page 6)

2 Why did the dog want to know the fox's secret?

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3 What reason did the dog give for not letting the fox have his hens?

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(page 7)

4 What did the dog give the fox in exchange for his secret?

the chicken coop

ducks

nothing

money

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(page 7)

5 What did the fox tell the dog was the **last thing** he needed to do to get rid of the fleas?

walk into the water

dunk his head under the water

trot over the hill

take a deep breath

(page 8)

6 What did the dog discover when he got home?
Write **2** things.

1.

2.

7 Which of these words show you how upset the dog was?
Tick **2** words.

vanished

howled

noticed

despair

paused

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(page 8)

8 What made the dog take a walk into the woods?

He heard the fox.

He saw a trail of feathers.

He heard the hens.

He saw a trail of ducks.

(page 9)

9 How did the fox behave when the dog came knocking at his door?

He pretended to be surprised.

He didn't open the door.

He told the dog to go away.

He gave the hens back.

(page 10)

10 Why did the fox take an empty sack with him when he went to the pond?

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(page 10)

11 Which words best describe what a *squawking bagful of chickens* might be like?

noisy and happy

noisy and restless

restless and quiet

calm and quiet

12 What did the dog decide he would never do again?

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(questions about the whole story)

13 a) How did the fox make the dog go to the pond?

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b) How did the dog make the fox go to the pond?

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(questions about the whole story)

14 What kind of character is the fox in this story?
Explain your answer.

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15 In this story who do you think is the cleverer, the dog or the fox?

the dog the fox

Explain your answer.

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.....

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In the next part of this booklet there are questions about part 2;
Animals in Stories.

Wait until your teacher tells you to answer these questions.



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- 16 On page 11 the animal characters are described as:
good or bad, fast or slow, strong or weak, trustworthy or cunning.

What do you notice about these pairs of words?

They are similar.

They rhyme.

They are in bold print.

They are opposites.

- 17 Why are headings used on pages 12-15?

They teach you about alphabetical order.

They show what information is on the page.

They explain what different words mean.

They tell you where the book was made.

- 18 Look at pages 12 and 14.

Tick ✓ or cross × these sentences about **real animals** to show whether they are true facts or not.

| | ✓ or × |
|--|--------|
| Guide dogs are trained to look after people. | |
| Foxes sometimes take food from bins. | |
| Foxes only eat rabbits. | |
| Hares live in towns. | |
| Tortoises live for a long time. | |

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19 Think about how animals in stories get their special characters from the way they behave in real life.

Look at pages 12-15.

Fill in the following table.

Some spaces have been filled in for you.

| Animal | In stories | Because in real life they |
|---------------|-------------------|---|
| Hares | <i>boastful</i> | <i>can run very fast</i> |
| Foxes | | <i>have many different ways of finding food and shelter</i> |
| Dogs | <i>helpful</i> | |
| Tortoises | <i>steady</i> | <i>walk slowly</i> |



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(pages 12 and 14)

20 Why has the author chosen photographs rather than drawings to illustrate the **Animal Facts** pages?

to show what the animals really look like

to show what the animals can do

to show what kind of story character the animals have

to show how old the animals are

(question about the whole booklet)

21 In which part of the booklet would you look for information about animals that is true?

Animals in Fiction

the front cover

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