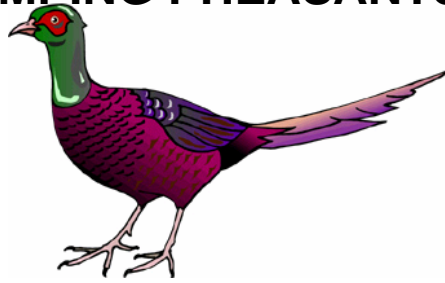


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JUMPING PHEASANTS



Ben's father brought home a box. There were air holes in the lid. "What's inside the box?" Ben asked.

"Have a look," his father said. "Then you can help me make a pen."

Ben looked inside the box. It was full of fluffy little brown birds. "What are they?" he asked.

"Baby pheasants," his father said. "We will raise them. We can sell them when they get big."

Ben helped his father cut boards and a screen. They made a pen for the pheasants. They put the pheasants inside the pen. Suddenly, the birds escaped. They all jumped over the walls. They could jump very high. They ran very fast, too.

"What should I do?" Ben asked.

"Catch them!" his father said.

They were hard to catch. Ben and his father chased them around the yard. Ben's mother stood in the house and watched. She thought all the running around was funny! She laughed at them. It took a long time, but Ben and his father finally caught all the pheasants.

"I thought it was a good idea, but they are too wild," his father said. "Maybe we should raise chickens instead."

"Good idea," Ben said.

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Answer the questions about *JUMPING PHEASANTS*

1. What color are the baby pheasants?
 - a. Black.
 - b. White.
 - c. Yellow.
 - d. Brown.

2. How do Ben and his father get a pen for the pheasants?
 - a. They build it.
 - b. They buy it.
 - c. They borrow it.
 - d. They find it.

3. What does Ben's father plan to do with the pheasants?
 - a. Keep them as pets.
 - b. Eat them.
 - c. Sell them when they get big.
 - d. Train them for the circus.

4. Why do they decide not to keep the pheasants?
 - a. The baby pheasants jump out of the pen.
 - b. The baby pheasants are too hard to catch.
 - c. The baby pheasants are too wild.
 - d. All of the above.

5. What will they keep instead of pheasants?
 - a. Sheep.
 - b. Chickens.
 - c. Ducks.
 - d. All of the above.

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Answers for *JUMPING PHEASANTS*

1. d
2. a
3. c
4. d
5. b