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## RUNAWAY LIZARDS



Phil liked animals. He liked lizards best of all. He had a big cage in his room. In the cage, he had five big iguanas: three males and two females.

One day, Phil's mother asked, "Could you clean the lizard cage, please?" Phil said he would clean it.

An hour later, Phil asked to go to the movies. His mother asked him, "Have you cleaned the cage yet?" Phil still hadn't cleaned the cage. His mother said, "You have to clean the cage or you can't go the movies."

Phil knew that his mother would be angry if he did not clean the cage. He did not want her to be angry, and he wanted to go to the movies.

He opened the cage door. All the iguanas ran out the open door. The last one was slow. Phil caught it by its tail. He put it back into the cage. The other four got away. They ran out into the yard. A lady screamed.

"Uh-oh," Phil said. "That is my mother's voice." He ran outside. His mother held one lizard. His father held another one. The other two lizards ran down the street. Phil chased them.

They ran into the house next door. Phil heard his neighbor yell. Phil ran into the house. His neighbor was holding one lizard. Phil caught the other one. He took them all home. He put them into a box.

"This was more fun than a movie," he said. Then he cleaned the cage.

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**Answer the questions about *RUNAWAY LIZARDS***

1. What sort of animal is an iguana?
  - a. A mammal.
  - b. A lizard.
  - c. An amphibian.
  - d. An insect.
2. How many iguanas does Phil have?
  - a. Two.
  - b. Three.
  - c. Four.
  - d. Five.
3. What job does Phil have to do in the story?
  - a. Go to the movies.
  - b. Mow the lawn.
  - c. Clean the lizard cage.
  - d. Wash dishes.
4. Who catches an iguana in the story?
  - a. Phil.
  - b. Phil's parents.
  - c. Phil's neighbor.
  - d. All of the above.
5. Which do you think would be more fun, a movie or chasing runaway iguanas? Why?

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**Answers for *RUNAWAY LIZARDS***

1. b

2. d

3. c

4. d

5. Answers will vary.