

Reading Between the Lines

1. Answer the following questions.



Reading Strategy

To make inferences and understand a story, use the facts given to make good guesses about other things that are not directly stated.

a. Look at the picture from the movie *Rio*. What type of movie do you think it is?

1. horror
 2. animation
 3. western
 4. I don't know.

b. Blue Macaws are:

1. snakes
 2. birds
 3. cats
 4. I don't know.

c. Can Blue Macaws fly?

1. Yes, they can.
 2. No, they can't.
 3. I don't know.

d. Blue Macaws are from:

1. South America
 2. Europe
 3. Asia
 4. I don't know.

e. Are Blue Macaws an endangered species?

1. Yes, they are.
 2. No, they aren't.
 3. I don't know.



2. Read the following movie review. Then, answer the questions below.

Blu lived a comfortable life with his owner and best friend, Linda, so he never had to worry about learning normal "bird" activities like flying or finding food. After learning that Blu wasn't the last bird from his species, they began a long journey to the distant and exotic land of Brazil to find Jewel, a female version of Blu, who lived in Rio de Janeiro. There was hope of saving the Blue Macaw species after all!

But not long after they had arrived in Rio, their plans changed when Blu and Jewel were kidnapped. To

escape, Blu had to find the courage to learn how to use his wings and to rely on the help of the bird of his dreams, Jewel, and a group of amusing city birds.

The extremely imaginative script is excellent, with colorful characters, funny jokes and beautiful animation; it is for both adults and children. This exciting and energetic movie will leave you wanting more. A must see!

a. Why hadn't Blu learned how to find food?

1. Because he lived next to a supermarket.
 2. Because Jewel flies and finds food for Blu.
 3. Because he was a domesticated bird.

b. Why did Blu and Linda travel to Brazil?

1. To find Jewel.
 2. To find a new home.
 3. To learn to fly.

c. When did Linda and Blu travel to Brazil?

1. Before learning Blu was not the last Blue Macaw.
 2. After learning Blu was not the last Blue Macaw.
 3. Until learning Blu was not the last Blue Macaw.

d. How did Blu escape after being kidnapped?

1. Linda helped him.
 2. He walked away.
 3. He had to learn how to use his wings to fly.

e. What did Blu have to do in order to escape?

1. Travel to Brazil.
 2. Find Jewel.
 3. Learn how to fly and trust others.

Key Expressions

A must see: a movie that you should really watch