

"FLYING HOME"

1- Put the story in order

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Felix closes his eyes. Now he cannot see the city and the snow. He can see other things; he can see the life he loves.

"I want to be with my family again," he thinks. "I want to fly home to the jungle. It's warm there and the trees are always green." He puts his head under one wing. "One day," he says. "One day."

Every night Felix looks up at the sky. He can see the whole city. It is big and exciting. It is home for the Baxters, but not for Felix. He remembers the big, yellow moon in Brazil. Then he remembers his last day in the jungle. The two men with white hats. The big box. The long plane journey. The shop – "Beautiful Birds" – in New York.

Felix is a blue and yellow bird from Brazil. He lives with the Baxter family in New York. His home is a big cage. It is on the fortieth floor of a tall building.

Felix likes the Baxters, and the Baxters like him. They give him food. They talk to him and show him to all their friends. But Felix is not happy. He wants to go home to Brazil.

He flies out of his cage and out of the window. The air under his wings is very cold. Behind him he hears, "Hey! Felix!!" but he does not go back. He looks down at the streets and buildings and flies through the city. A girl in a café with her mother sees him. "Look!" she says. Her mother does not hear. She is reading her newspaper.

"One day" comes two weeks later. Mr Baxter opens Felix's cage to give him some food. Then he hears the telephone. "Can you answer that, George?" asks Mrs Baxter. "I'm in the bath."

"OK," says Mr Baxter. He goes to the phone, but forgets to shut Felix's cage. Felix can see an open window. "This is it!" he thinks.

2- Choose the correct answer:

- 1** Why isn't Felix happy in New York? (page 1)
- 2** Who forgets to shut his cage? (page 4)
- 3** Why doesn't the woman in the café see him? (page 5)

3- Find in the story:

- 1- The names of a city and a country: _____
- 2- Two colours: _____
- 3- A family member: _____
- 4- The opposite of enemies: _____
- 5- The earth's natural satellite: _____