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The flashlight's beam lights up a frightened face. Small hands grab the fuzzy creature. Then it is stowed in a box. Children work through the night to capture baby puffins. The kids are part of the Puffin Patrol.

The kids live on an island off the coast of Iceland. In the spring, puffins roost on the island's cliffs. Each female lays one egg. By the middle of August, the baby seabirds are ready to leave their nests. They know to head toward the ocean. Lights from the night sky reflect on the sea. Most of the birds go toward those lights. But some babies fly toward the lights of the town. They crash-land in yards, parking lots, and streets.

Cats, dogs, and cars might harm the baby birds. So kids gather them up. In the morning, they carry their boxes of puffins to the sea. The kids toss the birds high into the air. The young seabirds glide on the wind and then land on the water. They are safe at home.



Read each question. Fill in the bubble next to the correct answer.

1. Which one would be a good title for the passage?
  - Ⓐ "Too Far to Fly"
  - Ⓑ "Kids to the Rescue"
  - Ⓒ "Birds in a Box"
  - Ⓓ "Ocean Lights"
2. Why do the children gather the baby puffins that fly into town?
  - Ⓐ to keep the birds from getting lost
  - Ⓑ to keep the birds in boxes
  - Ⓒ to raise the birds as pets
  - Ⓓ to keep the birds safe from harm
3. Some puffins land in yards because they \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ are kicked out of their nests
  - Ⓑ cannot fly
  - Ⓒ fall from high cliffs
  - Ⓓ fly toward the wrong lights
4. What is the Puffin Patrol?
  - Ⓐ children who find and rescue baby puffins
  - Ⓑ a name for baby puffins
  - Ⓒ the hatching of baby puffins
  - Ⓓ children who raise baby puffins