

Match the pictures and the words

an eyedropper corn a syringe the throat a chicken's neck cut the fish's head off



a syringe /sə'ɪndʒ/

the throat /ðə θroʊt/



Read the text and fill in the gaps with the words in the box

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September 10, 1945

Lloyd Olsen is a farmer. He lives ____ Colorado, the USA. He has chickens. His wife's mother loves eating chicken. ____ favorite part is chicken's neck. Lloyd and his wife sell chicken meat. Tomorrow is the market day. They start to cut the chickens' heads off. There ____ 40 or 50 chickens. One chicken is _____. It is without its head but it runs and runs. Normally chickens die without their heads. This chicken's name is Mike. It is 5,5 months old. Lloyd is surprised. It is _____. He puts Mike into a box. Lloyd and his wife go to bed.



____ in the morning, Lloyd sees that Mike is alive. Lloyd wants Mike to live. He gives his chicken small _____ of food. He gives Mike a mixture of milk and water _____ an eyedropper. He gives Mike corn. He also clears Mike's throat with a syringe.

Lloyd takes ____ headless chicken to the market. He shows his unusual chicken to the people. People can't believe their _____. A reporter comes to Lloyd to write _____ Mike.

October, 1945

A showman Hope Wade wants Mike in his show. He says to Lloyd: "We can _____ some money!". Lloyd _____ to take Mike to Hope's shows.

October 1945 - February 1947

Lloyd and Mike travel to _____ cities. Lloyd shows Mike to _____ of people. People pay 25 cents to see Mike. People call Mike "the Wonder Chicken". The headless chicken is so _____ with people that 2 famous magazines write about it: Time and Life. Different people write letters to Lloyd. Some people are very interested, _____ are very angry and sad.

March 17, 1947

Lloyd and Mike are in Arizona. Lloyd and his wife go to bed at a hotel but ____ night they hear that Mike can't breathe. Lloyd _____ clears Mike's throat with a syringe. Lloyd wants to take the syringe and clear Mike's throat. Oh, no! The syringe is at the show pavilion! Lloyd can't help Mike. Mike is dead.



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