

## Story 2: THE FARMER AND THE GOOSE'S NEST

Once a farmer went to the nest of his goose and found there an egg, all yellow and shiny. When he picked it up, it was heavy as a rock. He was about to throw it away because he thought that someone was playing a trick on him. But on second thought, he took it home, and discovered to his delight that it was an egg of pure gold! He sold the egg for a handsome sum of money. Every morning the goose laid another golden egg, and the farmer soon became rich by selling the eggs. As he grew rich, he also grew greedy. "Why should I have to wait to get only one egg a day?" he thought. "I will cut open the goose and take all the eggs out of her at once." When the goose heard the farmer's plan, she flew away to a nearby farm. So, when the farmer came out the next day, do you know what he found in the goose's nest? Nothing.

1. Which element of the story involves the discovery of an egg?
  - A. character
  - B. setting
  - C. plot
  - D. theme
2. Why did the farmer initially think of throwing the egg away?
  - A. It was as heavy as a rock
  - B. It was all yellow and shiny
  - C. He thought someone was playing a trick on him
  - D. He already had enough eggs
3. How did the farmer become rich?
  - A. By selling the golden egg
  - B. By cutting open the goose
  - C. By selling the regular eggs from the goose
  - D. By finding a hidden treasure
4. What did the farmer plan to do when he grew greedy?
  - A. Sell the goose
  - B. Take all the eggs out of the goose at once
  - C. Buy more geese
  - D. Keep the golden eggs a secret
5. What happened to the goose when she heard the farmer's plan?
  - A. She laid more golden eggs
  - B. She flew away to a nearby farm
  - C. She attacked the farmer
  - D. She hid the golden eggs