

Il était une fois une Maison



Questions:

1. What is the environment in which the story takes place ?
2. What bird is usually farmed for its eggs and meat ?
3. What is the name of a young or baby duck ?
4. And the name of a young or baby rabbit ?
5. What is a chicken ?
6. What is rutting ?
7. What is a flock ?
8. What is the name given to any domesticated bird, like the hen and the pigeon, kept for meat, eggs and feathers ?
9. What is the name of the small traditional outdoor enclosures where domestic pigs are usually raised ?
10. What is a neigh ?
11. What animal is usually farmed for its wool (used for producing clothes and blankets) ?
12. What does cattle mean ?
13. What is the name of a dog with high herding ability to help the shepherd to move sheep from one place to the other ?

What is its name ?

1. The animal I'm going to tell you about can be found domesticated or in the wild. The domesticated species is naked, blind and helpless at birth ; it is raised for meat and for pelt. The wild species is hunted for meat. Both species feed on grass, forbs, leafy weeds, and dry bread. And they love carrots !

What is the name of this animal ?

2. Now let's see if you guess the name of this other animal. It's a very noble animal and it was one of the first to be domesticated by man. It has been very useful as means of transportation or draft animal in farming. During day time, these animals live outside, grazing on grasses, In the evening, they return to the stable. Under cold weather and bad winter conditions, especially in countries with snow, these animals stay in the stable and feed on hay. The characteristic sound uttered by these animals is called neigh ; their females are called mares.

What is the name of this animal ?

3. This question is about a domesticated bird usually raised for its eggs and delicious and nutritious meat. These animals are permitted to roam freely in the farmyard or in open-air pens and they feed on everything from meal leftovers to fruit or vegetable peelings, but they love scratching at the soil to search for seeds, insects, and worms.

What is the name of this animal ?

4. Let's talk again about a mammal. Despite its reputation for dirtiness, this animal is very clean and, unlike many domestic animals, it is known for its intelligence. The upper part of its leg is dried and smoked after being salted and is then known as bacon. This animal's voice is the grunt and its female is called sow.

What is the name of this animal ?

5. Now we are going to talk about a bird that loves water and lives there most of the time. This bird has short legs and webbed feet adapted for swimming. Once born, this bird looks right away for a place with water, even a small ditch will do, but it prefers a lake ! And it knows already how to swim ; and since it has waterproof feathers, it does not get wet !

What is the name of this animal ?

6. This mammal I'm now going to speak about is most certainly one of the most important farm animals. This animal is farmed for meat and leather, and it produces most of the milk people drink. With its milk, we can obtain cheese, butter, yogurt and other dairy products like cream. This animal's voice is the moo.

What is the name of this animal ?

7. Still another very useful mammal to farmers for its wool and meat as well as for the delicious cheese produced with its milk. Its wool is usually used for making blankets and clothes, but cutting its wool off with scissors is not an easy task ; a lot of experience is required. To keep large numbers of these animals together, shepherds use dogs, the famous shepherd dogs.

What is the name of this animal ?

8. Now, I'm going to ask you a question about an insect, a very useful insect indeed, known for its role in pollination and for producing honey and wax. With wax we produce candles and polishing materials like shoe polish and furniture polish.

What is the name of this animal ?

Fill in the missing words:

1. Hens are raised mainly for their _____, which we use for baking delicious cakes.
2. The _____ is a bird that loves water. We find this bird in lakes, ponds and rivers ; this bird never gets wet because its feathers are _____.
3. Cheese, butter, yogurt and other dairy products are made with _____.
4. Sheep, goats and cattle are _____ because they feed on grass and have a peculiar way of digestion.
5. Domesticated birds kept for meat, eggs and feathers like hens, pigeons, doves, ducks and geese are known as _____.
6. Animals like horses that graze on grass are called _____.
7. During the winter season, cows, oxen and horses are fed on _____.
8. Bees use nectar from flowers to produce _____, which we use as a sweetener and flavoring; it is also often eaten on toasts and bread.
9. Flies and bees are _____ animals because they lack a backbone ; they belong to the _____ class.

P.S. To answer all these questions correctly you may like to read "Il était une fois une Maison" and to visit the children's website www.barry4kids.net .