

JIGSAW STORIES

Stories and Riddles

Poor Rabbit

A man was driving along the highway and saw a rabbit hopping across the road. He swerved to try not to hit it. Unfortunately, the rabbit jumped right in front of the car.

The man pulled over to see what had happened. The rabbit was lying there, dead.

“Oh no!” said the man. “I feel terrible! It was just a little rabbit!” He felt so awful, he started to cry.

A woman driving by saw the stopped car, and saw that the man was very upset. She pulled over. “What’s the matter? Can I help?” she asked.

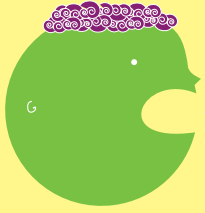
“I accidentally killed the rabbit,” the man said, pointing to the sad little heap. “I feel terrible.”

The woman said she knew just what to do. She ran over to her car and grabbed a spray can. She went back to the limp little body, and sprayed the contents of the can all over it.

Miraculously, the rabbit jumped to life, waved its paw at the two humans, hopped 50 meters down the road, and turned and waved its paw again. It hopped another 50 meters, and again, stopped and waved.

The man was amazed. He couldn’t imagine what was in the spray. He ran over to the woman and asked, “What on earth did you use on that rabbit?”

The woman turned the can so he could read the label. It said, “Hair spray. Brings limp hair back to life. Adds permanent wave.”



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Safety Notice in Bear Country

In light of the increase in human-bear contacts, the Department of Fish and Game advises hunters, hikers, and fisherman to take extra safety measures.

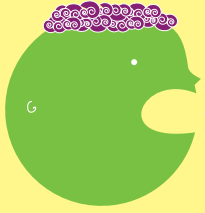
Keep alert for bears while you are in the field.

We advise everyone to wear noisy little bells on their clothing. This will prevent bears from being startled and surprised.

We also advise that you carry pepper spray in case of an encounter with a bear.

It's also a good idea to watch out for bear activity in the area. People in bear country should recognize the difference between poop from black bears and poop from grizzly bears.

Poop from black bears is smaller and has lots of berries and squirrel fur.
Grizzly bear poop has little bells in it and smells like pepper.



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Hi, Sokhon, I'm so sorry I'm late. Have you been waiting long?

It's okay. I'm reading a great book, and I didn't even notice the time.

Well I really am sorry. The bus got stuck in a major traffic jam. There was an accident and everything got backed up.

An accident? Anyone hurt?

I don't know. Well, come to think of it, there was an ambulance, so I guess it's possible.

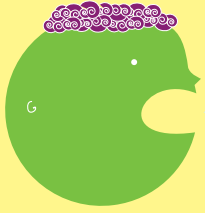
Scary. Sometimes I am glad I don't drive.

Not me. I can't wait to get my license. In fact, I am taking my road test next week.

You are? Well, I'm sure you'll pass.

I wish I were so sure. I'm nervous about the road test.

Seems like everyone fails it the first time.



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Nine Point Easy Quiz

How long did the Hundred Years War last?

answer

116 years, from 1337 to 1453

Which country makes Panama hats?

answer

Ecuador

Where do we get catgut?

answer

From sheep and horses

In which month do Russians
celebrate the October Revolution?

answer

November, since the Russian
calendar was 13 days behind ours

What is a camel's hair brush made of?

answer

Squirrel fur

The Canary Islands in the Atlantic
are named after what animal?

answer

The Latin name was Insularia
Canaria – Island of the Dogs

What was King George VI's first name?

answer

Albert

What color is the purple finch?

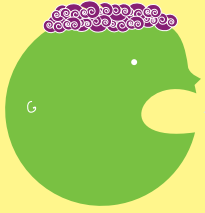
answer

Distinctly crimson

How long did the Thirty Years War last?

answer

Thirty years, of course—1618 to 1648.



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Riddles—Match riddle and answer

If you had a million dollars and gave away one quarter, and another quarter, and then another quarter, how much would you have left?

answer

A million dollars minus 75 cents.

If you count 20 houses on your right on your way to school, and 20 houses on your left coming home, how many houses in all have you counted?

answer

20. You counted the same houses going and coming back.

How many legs does a mule have if you call a tail a leg?

answer

Four. Calling a tail a leg doesn't make it one.

What has cities without houses, rivers without water, and forests without trees?

answer

A map.

What happened when the lion ate the comedian?

answer

He felt funny.



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The North Wind and the Sun

The North Wind and the Sun started arguing. “I’m stronger than you,” the North Wind said.

“No you’re not,” said the Sun. “Everyone knows I’m stronger.”

“Show me,” said the North Wind. “You know I’m stronger than you!”

“Do you see that traveler down on the road? I can make him take his coat off. You can’t,” said the Sun.

“Oh yes I can,” said the North Wind. “The first to get his coat off wins! I’ll go first.”

“Wow,” said the traveler, “how the North Wind is blowing! I never felt such a strong wind before.” He folded his arms across his chest and bent over.

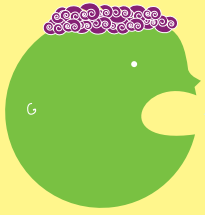
“The wind is blowing so hard it’s going to blow my coat right off!” The traveler buttoned his coat tight, and turned his back against the wind. The harder the wind blew, the tighter the traveler held onto his coat.

At last the North Wind gave up and told the Sun to try. The Sun said nothing, but came out from behind a cloud and smiled at the traveler.

“How good the sun feels,” said the traveler. The Sun kept shining. “It’s getting very warm,” said the traveler. The Sun shone on.

It was now past noon. The Sun shone high in the sky. “It’s so hot,” the traveler said, unbuttoning his coat. “I need a rest.” He took off his coat, and found a shady place to sit.

The North Wind’s force had failed. Warmth won.



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Rhyme

One, two.

Tie your shoe

Three, four,

Knock at the door

Five, six,

Pick up sticks

Seven, eight.

Don't be late

Nine, ten,

Back again