

Family
and
Friends 1

The Little Red Hen



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Before you read, can you match the words with the pictures?

1 cat

2 hen

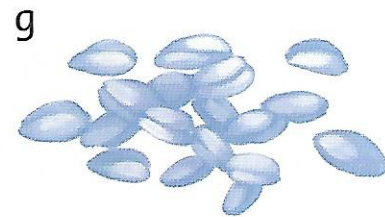
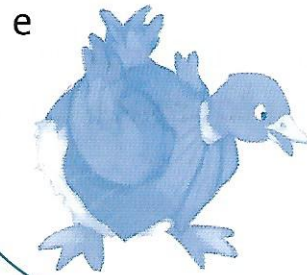
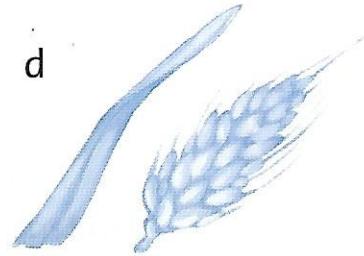
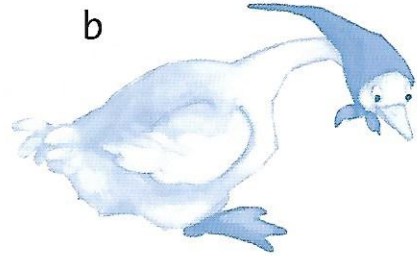
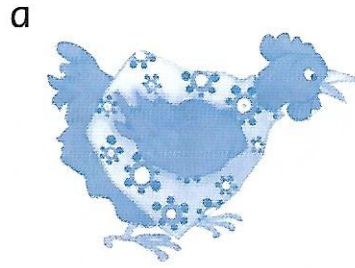
3 seeds

4 duck

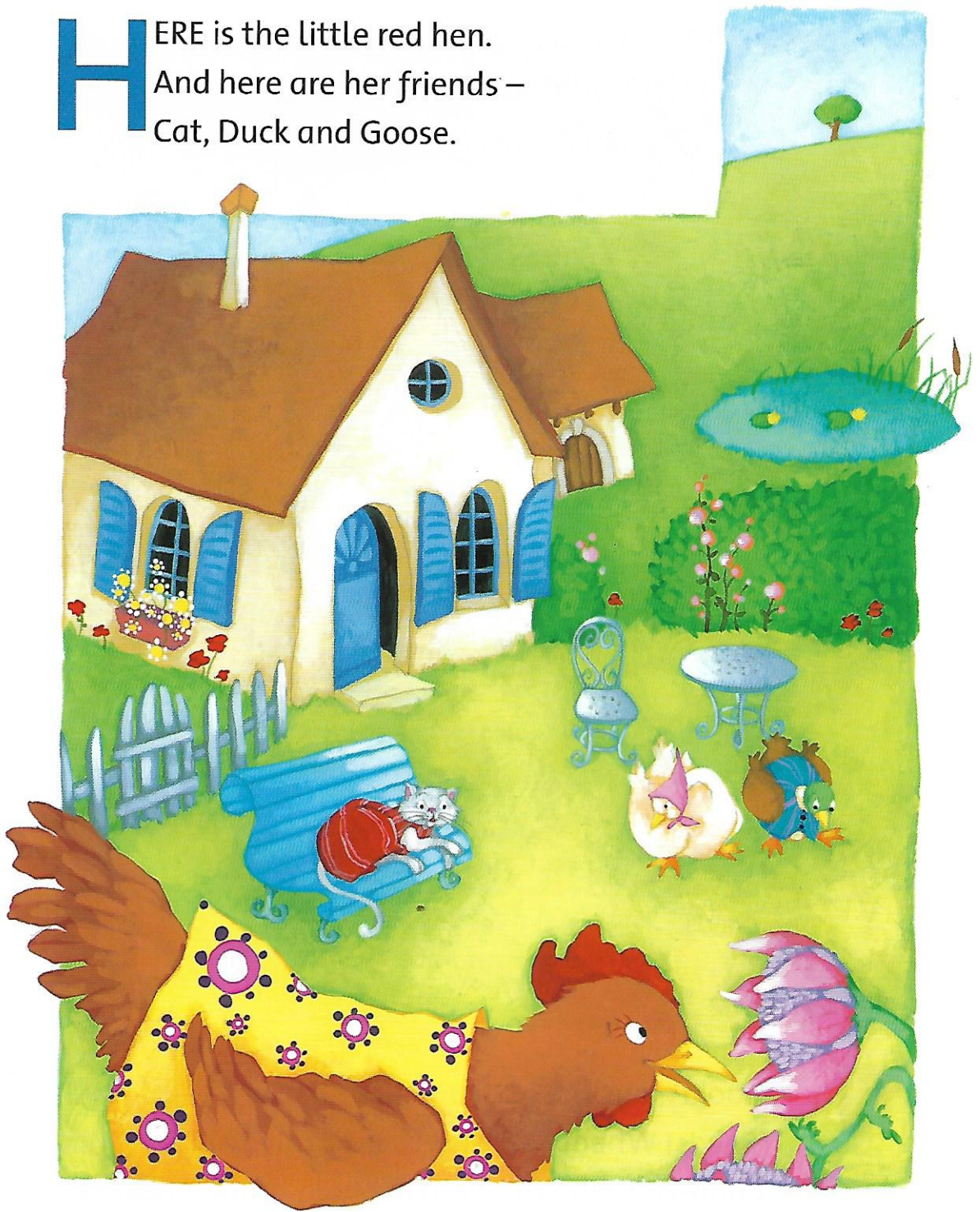
5 wheat

6 goose

7 bread



HERE is the little red hen.
And here are her friends—
Cat, Duck and Goose.

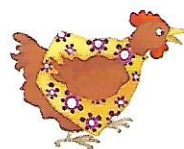


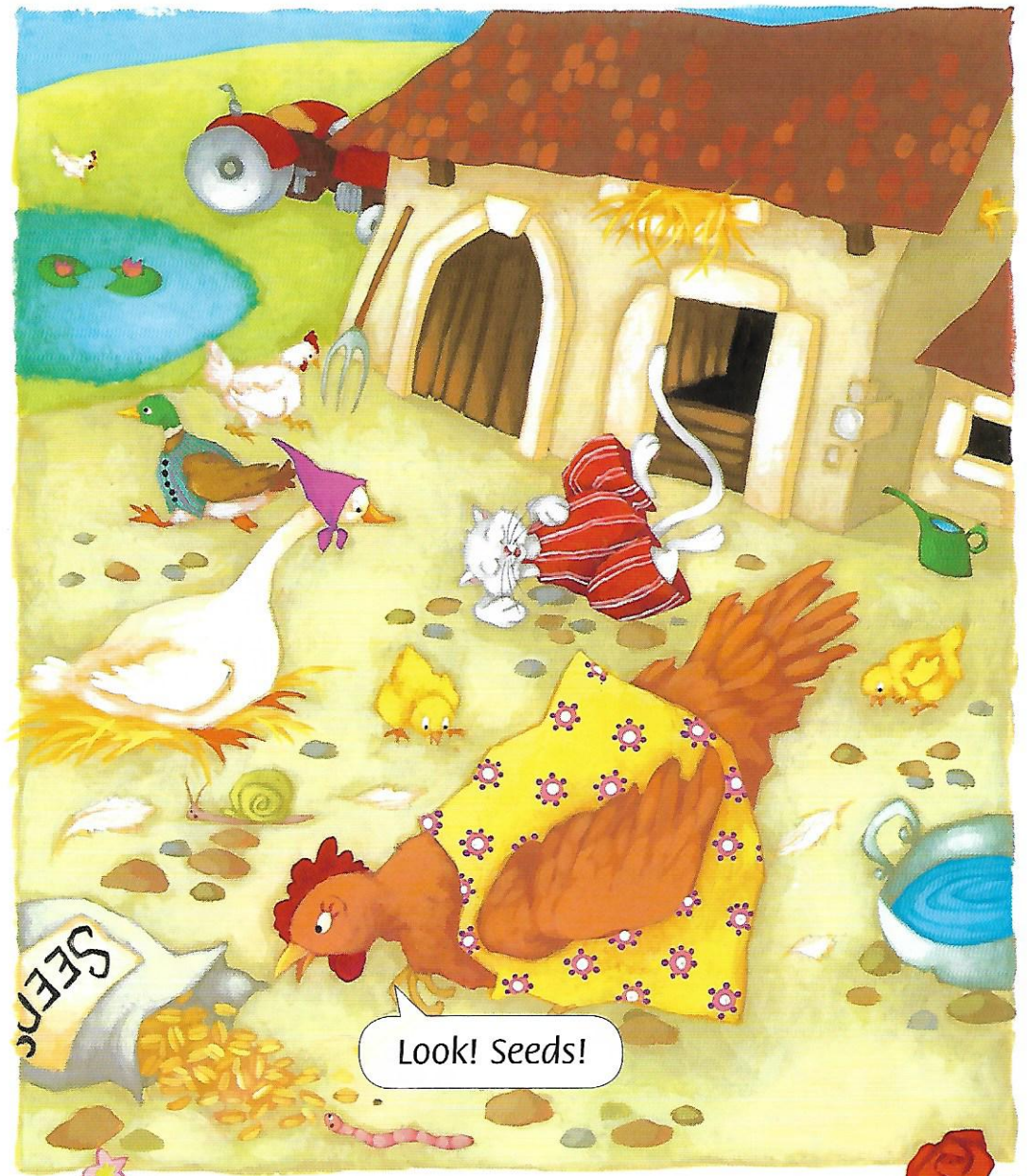
cat

duck

goose

hen





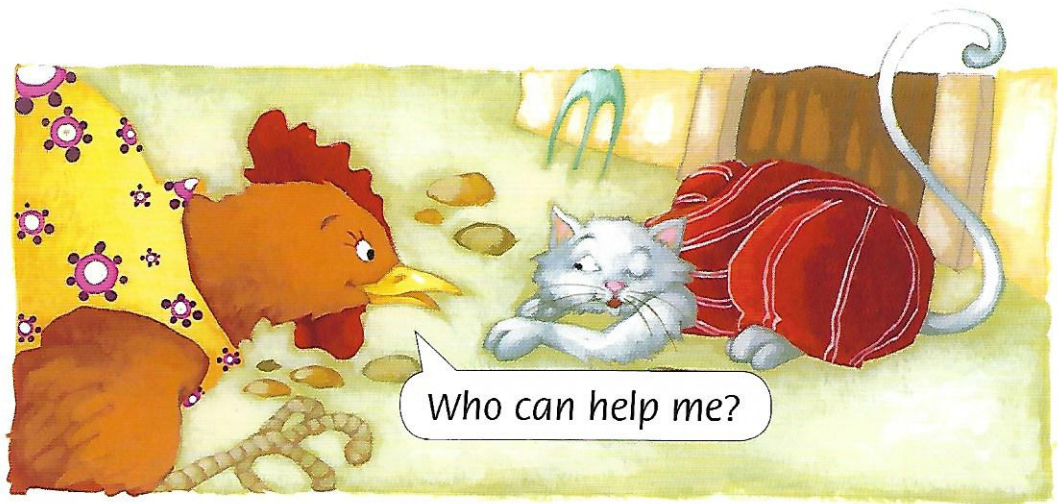
Look! Seeds!

'Look!' says the little red hen.
'Seeds! Wheat seeds! Let's plant them!
Come on! Who can help me?'

plant

seeds





'Come on! Who can help me?'
says the little red hen.
'I can't,' says Cat. 'I want to sleep.'



'Who can help me?'
says the little red hen.
'I can't,' says Duck.
'I want to play in the water.'

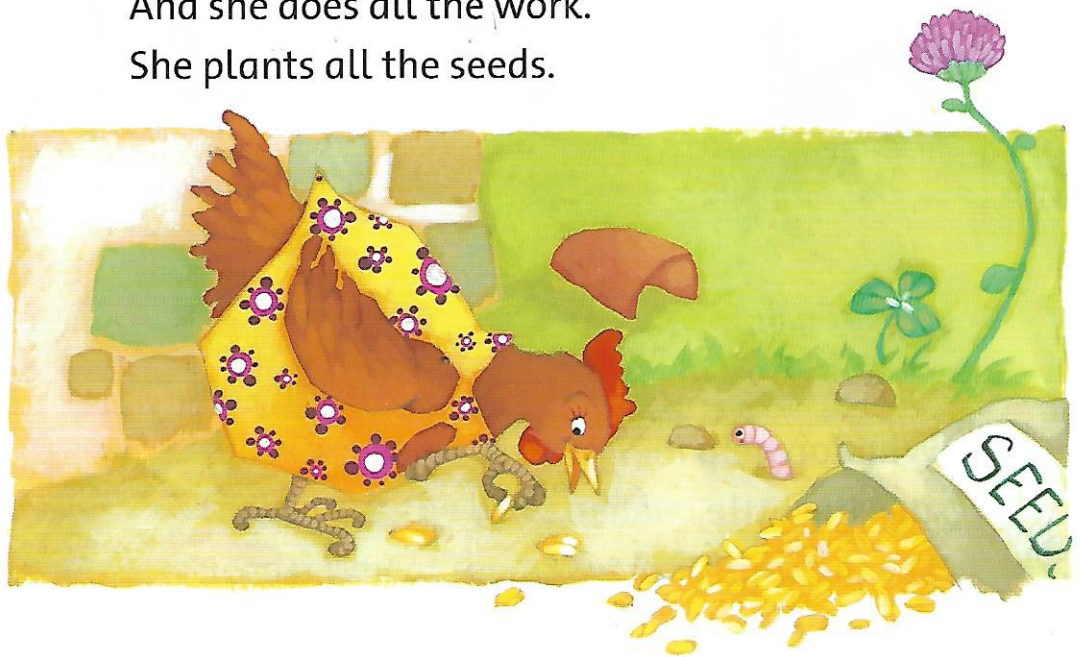
water



'Come on!' says the little red hen.
'Who can help me?'
'I can't,' says Goose.
'I want to sit in the sun.'



'All right,' says the little red hen.
And she does all the work.
She plants all the seeds.





'The seeds want water.
Who can help me?'
says the little red hen.



'Who can help me?'
'I can't,' says Cat.
'I don't like water.'

Answer the questions.

1 The little red hen has ... friends.

a two b three c four

2 The little red hen finds some ...

a seeds b trees c flowers

3 'Who can ... me?' asks the little red hen.

a make b see c help

4 Cat wants to ...

a eat b walk c sleep

5 Duck wants to play in the ...

a garden b water c sun

6 Goose wants to ... in the sun.

a sit b sleep c walk

7 The little red hen ... all the seeds.

a plants b eats c washes



Write the words.

seeds

water

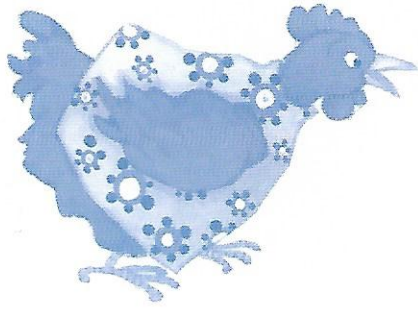
duck

~~hen~~

goose

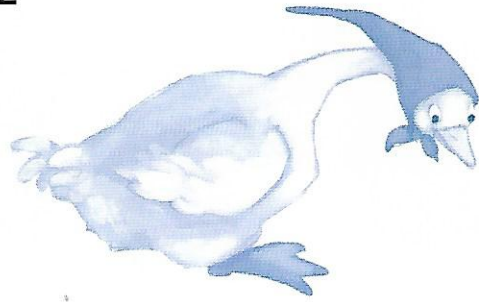
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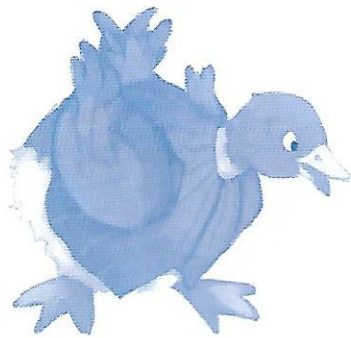


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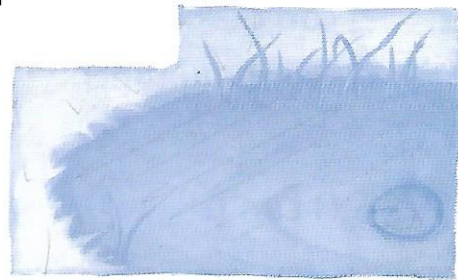
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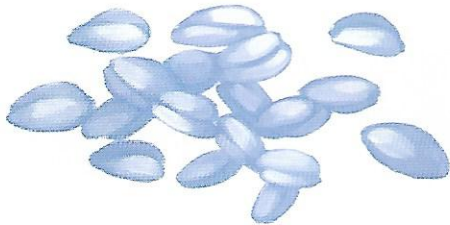
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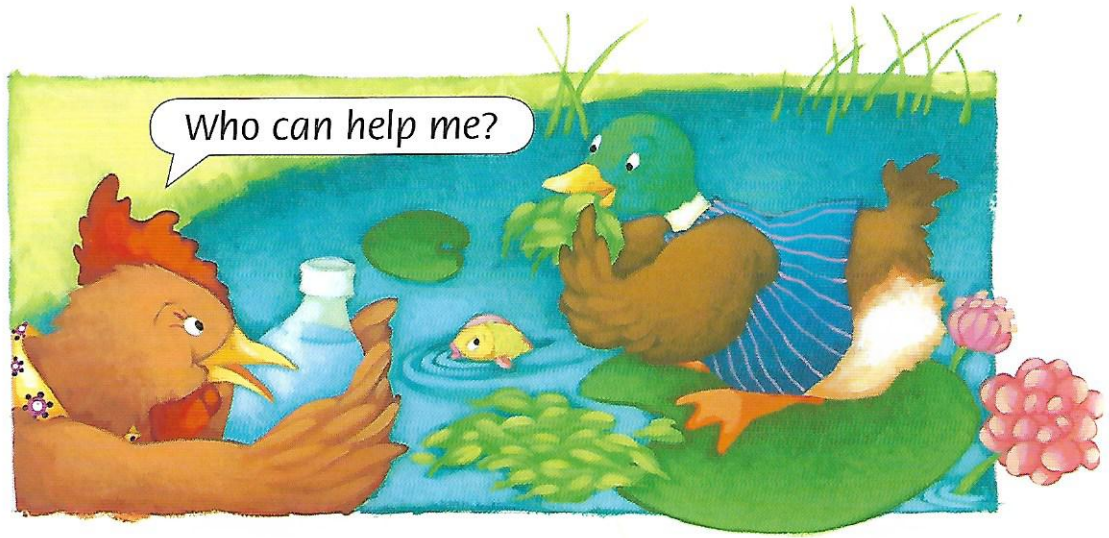


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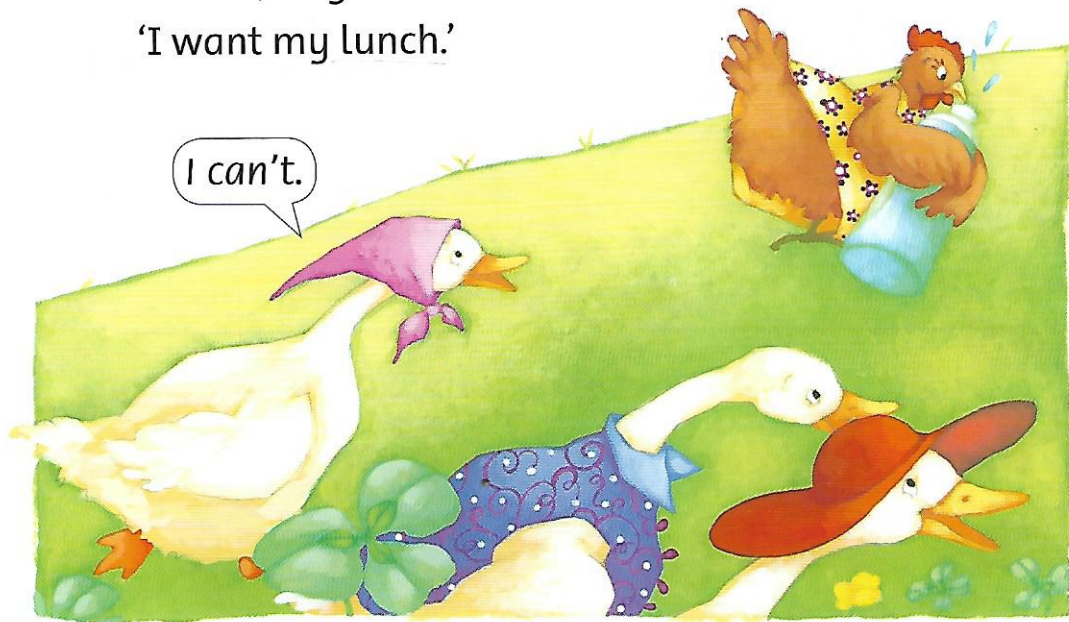


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'Come on!' says the little red hen.
'Who can help me?'
'I can't,' says Duck.
'I want my lunch.'



'Who can help me?'
'I can't,' says Goose. 'I want a walk.'

'All right,' says the little red hen.
And she does all the work.



The sun is warm.
The wheat grows.
It grows big and green.



wheat



The sun is hot.
And now the wheat is yellow.



'Look!' says the little red hen.
'The wheat is yellow.
We can cut it now.
Who can help me?'

cut



'Who can help me?'

'I can't,' says Cat.

'I want to play.'




'Who can help me?'

'I can't,' says Duck.

'I want my lunch.'



Fill in the gaps.

 sun play big cut ~~right~~ can

- 1 'All right,' says the little red hen.
- 2 The _____ is warm.
- 3 The wheat grows _____ and green.
- 4 'We can _____ it now,' says the little red hen.
- 5 'Who _____ help me?' asks the little red hen.
- 6 'I can't. I want to _____,' says Cat.



Are these sentences true or false?

1 Cat doesn't like water.

True False

2 Duck wants her lunch.

True False

3 Goose wants to play.

True False

4 The sun is cold.

True False

5 The wheat grows big and green.

True False

6 The wheat is red.

True False

7 Cat wants to play.

True False

8 Duck wants to help the little red hen.

True False

