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Level 0 – 16th June, 2020

Three baby ducks hatch from supermarket eggs

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200616-ducks-0.html>

A woman who bought duck eggs was surprised. Three eggs hatched. She now has three ducklings. She bought the eggs last month. She told reporters she got the idea for trying to hatch eggs from a Facebook video. The video showed how someone hatched eggs. They also bought them from a supermarket.

The ducklings will be happy. They will be friends for her pet chickens. The woman said: "I was so excited for them to hatch, but I still [knew they were] supermarket eggs." She called it an "amazing" experience. She said the ducklings are, "the cutest little balls of fluff". It is unusual for supermarket eggs to hatch.

Sources: <https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-england-beds-bucks-herts-52838747>
<https://www.thesun.co.uk/news/11859262/woman-hatches-ducklings-eggs-waitrose/>
<https://metro.co.uk/2019/02/19/teenage-boy-hatches-duck-egg-bought-waitrose-8669641/>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. A woman who bought duck eggs was | a. a Facebook video |
| 2. She now | b. month |
| 3. She bought the eggs last | c. from a supermarket |
| 4. she | d. has three ducklings |
| 5. hatch eggs from | e. eggs |
| 6. The video showed | f. got the idea |
| 7. someone hatched | g. how |
| 8. They also bought them | h. surprised |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. The ducklings will be | a. of fluff |
| 2. They will | b. "I was so excited" |
| 3. her pet | c. be friends |
| 4. The woman said: | d. eggs |
| 5. still knew they | e. happy |
| 6. supermarket | f. eggs to hatch |
| 7. the cutest little balls | g. were |
| 8. It is unusual for supermarket | h. chickens |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A woman (1) _____ eggs was surprised. Three
eggs hatched. She (2) _____ ducklings. She
(3) _____ last month. She told reporters she got
the idea (4) _____ hatch eggs from a Facebook
video. The video (5) _____ hatched eggs. They
also bought (6) _____ supermarket.

The ducklings (7) _____. They will be friends for
(8) _____. The woman said: "I was so excited for
(9) _____, but I still [knew they were]
supermarket eggs." She (10) _____ "amazing"
experience. She said the ducklings are, "the
(11) _____ of fluff". It is unusual for supermarket
(12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200616-ducks-0.html>

Awomanwhoboughtduckeggswassurprised.Threeeggshatched.She
nowhasthreeducklings.Sheboughttheeggslastmonth.Shetoldreport
ersshegottheideafortryingtohatcheggsfromaFacebookvideo.Thevid
eoshowedhowsomeonehatchedeggs.Theyalsoboughtthemfromasu
permarket.Theducklingswillbehappy.Theywillbefriendsforherpetchi
ckens.Thewomansaid:"Iwassoexcitedforthemtohatch,butIstill[kne
wtheywere]supermarketeggs."Shecalleditan"amazing"experience.
Shesaidtheducklingsare,"thecutestlittleballsoffluff".Itisunusualfors
upermarketeggstohatch.

DUCKS SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200616-ducks-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about ducks in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

