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Three baby ducks hatch from supermarket eggs

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Please try Levels 0, 1 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2006/200616-ducks-2.html>

A woman was surprised after she bought duck eggs from a supermarket. Three of the eggs hatched. The woman has three baby ducks, or ducklings. Their names are Beep, Peep and Meep. Charli Lello, 29, bought the eggs last month. She was at home all day because she wasn't working in her job as an assistant manager in a shop. She decided to use her free time to do different things. Ms Lello told reporters she got the idea for incubating eggs after seeing a video on Facebook. The video showed how someone hatched eggs after buying them from a supermarket.

Lello said the ducklings would have a happy life. They will be friends for her pet chickens. She explained why she bought the eggs. She said: "I saw the duck eggs and thought maybe they would [hatch]. I was so excited for them to hatch, but I still [knew] that these are supermarket eggs." She was surprised when the eggs hatched because they had been bashed around on a truck and in a shopping trolley. She called it an "amazing" experience. She said the ducklings were, "the cutest little balls of fluff". A duck farm said 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. Three of the eggs | a. incubating eggs |
| 2. She at home | b. hatched |
| 3. working in her job as an | c. hatched eggs |
| 4. She decided to use | d. things |
| 5. do different | e. on Facebook |
| 6. she got the idea for | f. all day |
| 7. after seeing a video | g. her free time |
| 8. The video showed how someone | h. assistant manager |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. have a happy | a. pet chickens |
| 2. friends for her | b. of fluff |
| 3. She explained why she | c. trolley |
| 4. She was surprised when | d. eggs to hatch |
| 5. in a shopping | e. life |
| 6. She called it an amazing | f. the eggs hatched |
| 7. the cutest little balls | g. experience |
| 8. it is unusual for supermarket | h. bought the eggs |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A woman was surprised (1) _____ duck eggs from a supermarket. Three of the eggs hatched. The woman has three baby (2) _____. Their names are Beep, Peep and Meep. Charli Lello, 29, bought (3) _____ month. She was at home all day because she wasn't working in her job as an (4) _____ a shop. She decided to use her free time to do different things. Ms Lello told reporters she (5) _____ for incubating eggs after seeing a video on Facebook. The video showed how someone hatched eggs after (6) _____ a supermarket.

Lello said the ducklings (7) _____ happy life. They will be friends for her pet chickens. She explained why she bought the eggs. She said: "I saw the duck eggs (8) _____ they would [hatch]. I was so excited for (9) _____, but I still [knew] that these are supermarket eggs." She was surprised when the eggs hatched because they (10) _____ around on a truck and in a shopping trolley. She called it (11) _____. She said the ducklings were, "the cutest little (12) _____". A duck farm said it is unusual for supermarket eggs to hatch.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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Awomanwassurprisedaftersheboughtduckeggsfromasupermarket. Threeoftheeggshatched.Thewomanhasthreebabyducks,orducklings. TheirnamesareBeep,PeepandMeep.CharliLello,29,boughttheeggs lastmonth.Shewasathomealldaybecauseshewasn'tworkinginherjob asanassistantmanagerinashop.Shedecidedtouseherfreetimetododiferentthings.MsLellotoldreportersshegottheideaforincubatingeggsafterseeingavideoonFacebook.Thevideoshowedhowsomeonehatchedeggsafterbuyingthemfromasupermarket.Lellosaidtheducklingswouldhaveahappy life.Theywillbefriendsforherpetchickens.Sheexplainedwhysheboughttheeggs.Shesaid:"Isawtheduckeggsandthoughtmaybe theywould[hatch].Iwassoexcitedforthemtohatch,butIstill[knew]thatthesearesupermarketeggs."Shewassurprisedwhentheeggshatchedbecause theyhadbeenbashedaroundonatruckandinashopping trolley.Shecalleditan"amazing"experience.Shesaidtheducklingswere,"thecutestlittleballsoffluff".Aduckfarmsaiditisunusualforsupermarketeggstohatch.

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) _____

