

Read the short story. Then answer each question.

Simon the Scarecrow

Simon the scarecrow stood in the cornfield. He had a red shirt and a pumpkin head. Simon's job was to keep the birds away from the corn.

One day, Simon saw a flock of crows in the sky. He heard them talking about the yummy corn in the field.

Simon watched as the crows landed in the field. The crows started to eat the corn.

Simon shook his arms. The crows did not move.

Simon shook his legs. The crows did not move.



Simon made a loud caw! The crows did not move.

Simon shook his pumpkin head. His straw hat fell off. The crows did not move.

Simon frowned. How could he scare away the crows?

Simon made a "meow" like a cat. The crows flew away. They cawed at Simon.

Simon smiled. He had done his job.





Circle the best answer for each question.

- 1. What was Simon?
 - a. Simon was a dog.
 - b. Simon was a bird.
 - c. Simon was a scarecrow.
 - d. Simon was a cat.
- 2. What kind of head did Simon have?
 - a. Simon had a pumpkin head.
 - b. Simon had a baseball head.
 - c. Simon had a doll head.
 - d. Simon had a penguin head.
- 3. What kind of bird ate the corn?
 - a. Blue Jays ate the corn.
 - b. Ducks ate the corn.
 - c. Robins ate the corn.
 - d. Crows ate the corn.



- 4. What was Simon's job?
 - a. Simon's job was to make rain.
 - b. Simon's job was to keep birds out of the corn.
 - c. Simon's job was to scrub the toilet.
 - d. Simon's job was to make popcorn.
- 5. Why did the birds fly away when they heard a "meow"?



Answers:

1. What was Simon?

c. Simon was a scarecrow.

- What kind of head did Simon have?
 a. Simon had a pumpkin head.
- What kind of bird ate the corn?
 Crows ate the corn.
- 4. What was Simon's job?b. Simon's job was to keep birds out of the corn.
- 5. Why did the birds fly away when they heard a "meow"?

The birds flew away because they are scared of <u>cats.</u>