



*Read this silently and then out loud.*

## THE HEN AND THE SQUIRREL

One day a hen met a squirrel.

"Friend Hen," said the squirrel, "do you see that tall oak tree?

It is full of good acorns.

Let us get some to eat."

"All right, friend Squirrel," said the hen.

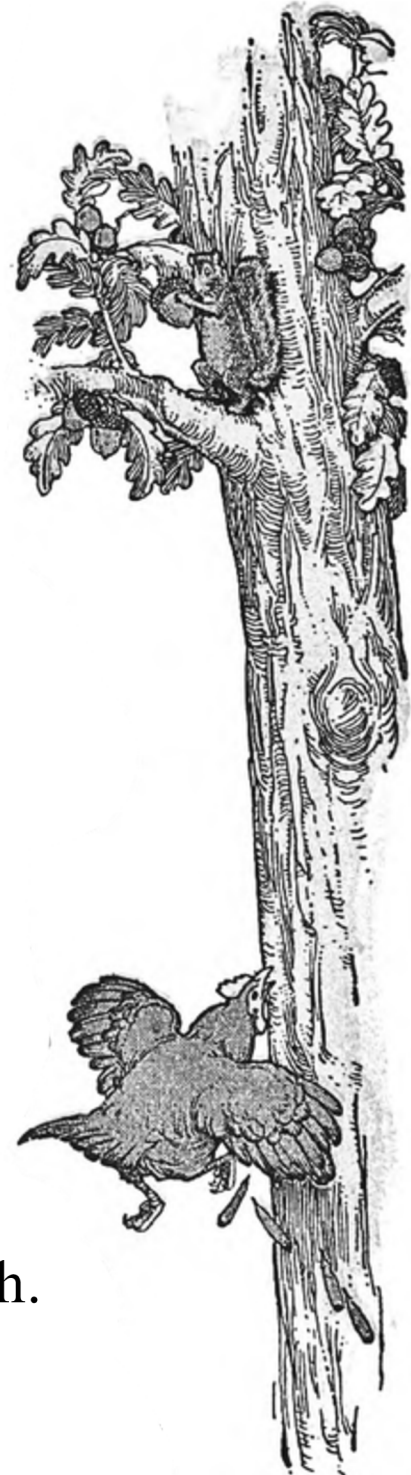
So they ran to the tree.

The squirrel ran right up the tree and ate an acorn.

"How good it is!" he said.

The hen tried to fly up and get an acorn.

But she could not fly so high.





*Read this silently and then out loud.*

So she called up to the squirrel,  
"Friend Squirrel, give me an acorn."  
The squirrel found a big acorn.  
He threw it down to her.  
The acorn hit the hen, and cut her head.  
So she ran to an old woman and said,  
"Old Woman, please give me a soft cloth.  
Then I can tie up my poor  
head."  
"First give me two hairs,"  
said the old woman.  
"Then I will give you  
a soft cloth."  
The hen ran to a dog.  
"Good Dog, give me two hairs," she said.  
"I will give them to the old woman.  
The old woman will give me a soft cloth.  
Then I can tie up my poor head."



*Read.*



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*Read this silently and then out loud.*

"First give me some bread," said the dog.

"Then I will give you two hairs."

The hen went to a baker and said,

"Oh, Good Baker, give me some bread.

I will give the bread to the dog.

The dog will give me two hairs.

I will give the hairs to the old woman.

The old woman will give me a soft cloth.

Then I can tie up my poor head."

"First get me some wood," said the baker.

"Then I will give you some bread."

The hen went to the forest and said,

"Oh, Good Forest, give me some wood.

I will give the wood to the baker.

The baker will give me some bread.

I will give the bread to the dog.

The dog will give me two hairs.

I will give the hairs to the old woman.

*Read.*



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*Read this silently and then out loud.*

The old woman will give me  
a soft cloth.  
Then I can tie up my head."  
"First give me some water,"  
said the forest.  
"Then I will give you wood."  
The hen went to a brook.  
"Brook, give me some water.  
I will give it to the forest.  
The forest will give me wood.  
I will give the wood to the baker.  
The baker will give me bread.  
I will give the bread to the dog.  
The dog will give me two hairs.  
I will give them to the old woman.  
The old woman will give me a  
soft cloth.  
Then I can tie up my head."



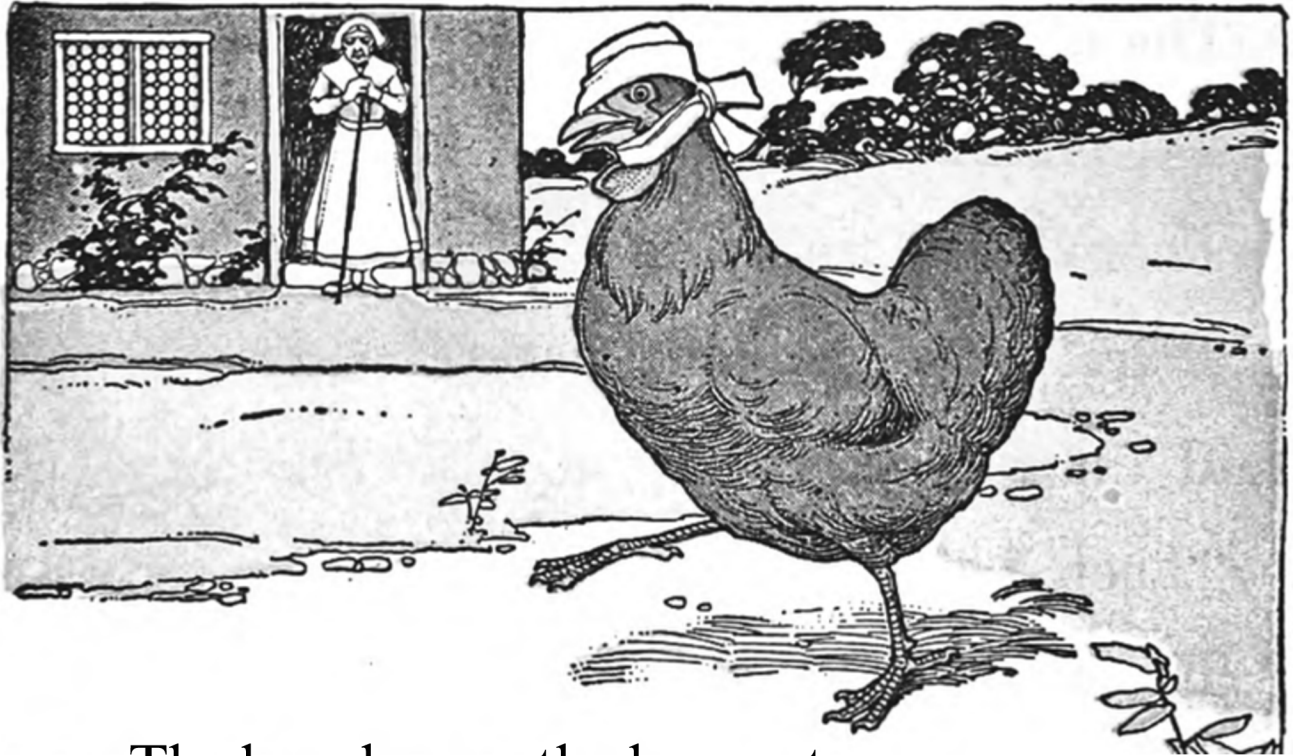
*Read.*



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*Read this silently and then out loud.*



The brook gave the hen water.  
She gave the water to the forest.  
The forest gave her some wood.  
She gave the wood to the baker.  
The baker gave her some bread.  
She gave the bread to the dog.  
The dog gave her two hairs.  
She gave the two hairs to the old woman.  
The old woman gave her a soft cloth.  
So the hen tied up her poor head.

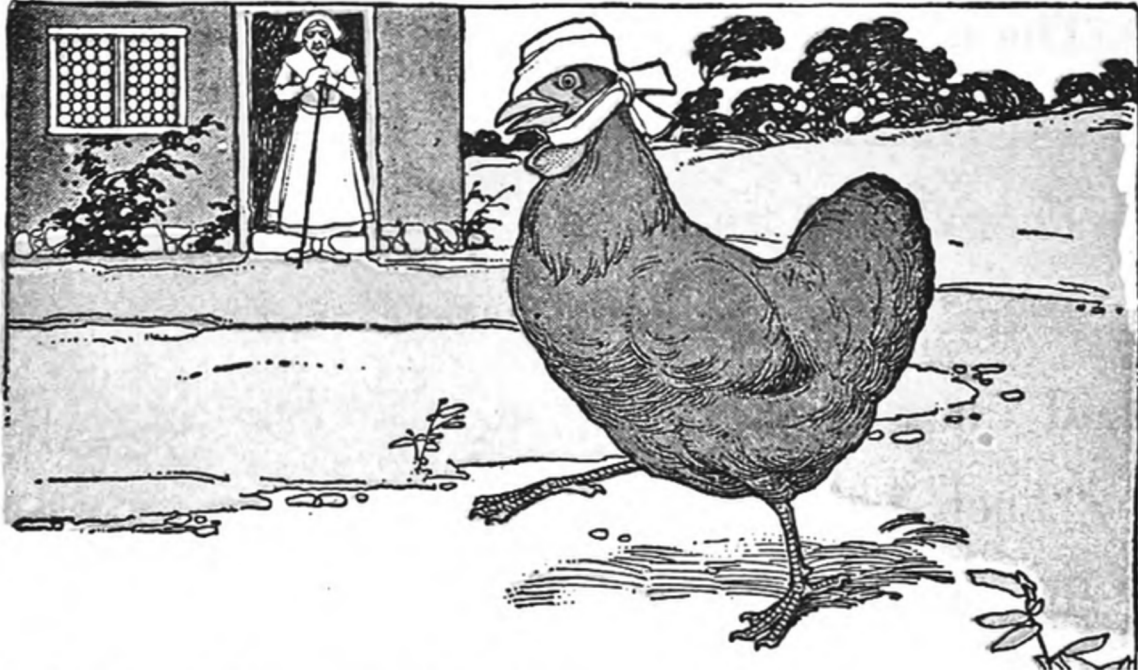
# Discuss.



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*Teacher instructions: Discuss the illustration and the passage with your learner.*



*What do you see in the illustration?*

*What did the hen want from the tree?*

*How did the hen hurt her head?*

*What did the hen need to get for the woman to tie up her head?*

*Write.*



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*Copy the passage.*

“Friend Hen,” said the squirrel, “do you see that tall oak tree? It is full of good acorns. Let us get some to eat.”

Handwriting practice lines consisting of solid top and bottom lines with a dashed midline.

*Write.*



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*end*



*Use the illustration as inspiration to write a sentence.*



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