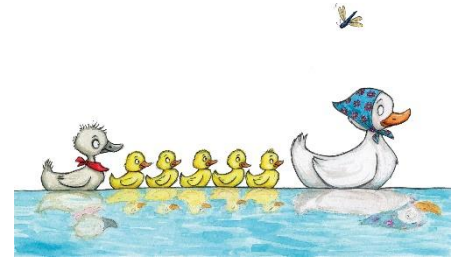


Activity 1: Comprehension

Read the following text and answer the questions that follow.

The Ugly Duckling



Mother Duck sat on some eggs in the farmyard. One day the eggs hatched. There were six young ducklings. But one of them was different.

“We are young, yellow ducklings,” said one duckling. “You are an ugly duckling!” said another duckling.

The Ugly Duckling was very unhappy and he left the farm. Then he met some wild geese. “You are ugly,” said the geese. “Go away!” So the Ugly Duckling walked away. Then he saw a farmhouse. There were chickens and kittens at the farmhouse. “Go away!” hissed the kittens. “Shoo!” said the chickens. “You are ugly!” So the Ugly Duckling lived alone. Then at the end of winter, he left the forest. He saw some beautiful birds on the riverbank. They had shiny, white feathers and long necks. “Come swim with us,” said a beautiful bird. “But I am ugly,” said the duckling. “No! You are a beautiful swan, like us!”

Answer the following Questions:

1. Name any two characters of the story. _____
2. Where was the Ugly Duckling born? _____
3. Why did the Ugly Duckling left the farm? _____

4. What kind of bird was the Ugly Duckling really? _____
5. Did you feel sorry for the Ugly Duckling? Say how you felt. _____

6. Write these sentences in the correct order to make a summary of the story.
 - The geese, the chickens and the kittens did not want to be his friends.
 - The Ugly Duckling looks different.
 - So, the Ugly Duckling left the farm.
 - After winter, he swam on the river with other swans.
 - The Ugly Duckling lived alone in winter.
 - 1 _____
 - 2 _____
 - 3 _____
 - 4 _____
 - 5 _____
7. Choose the correct word to complete each sentence.
 - a) The young ducklings (is/are) yellow and fluffy.
 - b) The geese were unkind to the duckling (and/because) the chickens chased after him.
 - c) The kittens (hissing/hissed) at the Ugly Duckling.
 - d) The eggs (hatched/hatches) yesterday.
 - e) The duckling lived (in/on) the forest.
 - f) There are beautiful (swan/swans) on the river.