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Quick Questions



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Answers



1. Find and copy a phrase which shows that both boys were impressed.
Accept the answer 'their eyes widened with amazement' only.



2. What do you think the boys will do next?
Accept any reasonable prediction which fits with the story such as 'they will go and tell their parents that the eggs are cracking' or 'they might start to record it on their camera'.



3. Sum up what happened in this story in 20 words or less.
Accept any summary of the plot which is made within 20 words, such as: 'Two boys watch as a chick begins to hatch from an egg on Easter Sunday'.



4. Why did Muzafar think that the eggs would hatch on Easter Sunday?
Accept any reasonable explanation which states that Easter Sunday is traditionally associated with new life and new beginnings because Jesus rose from the dead on this day.