

“Zach’s Animals”

Reading Comprehension – Short Stories

Directions: Read the story. Then answer the questions below.

My name is Zach.

I have a bird. She flies.

I have a dog. He is white.

I have a pig. He is very dirty.

I have a rabbit. She has a lot of hair.

Sometimes, I feel like I live in a zoo.

The name of my bird is Sky.

The name of my dog is Snow.

The name of my rabbit is Fur Ball.

I do not have a name for my pig yet.

I want to have a lamb.

I want to have a kitten.

I want to have a duck.

Mom says, “Not yet.”

I can’t live without my animals.



Questions:

1) Why is Snow a good name for Zach's dog?

- A. He is cold.
- B. He is white.
- C. He eats snow.
- D. He plays in snow.

2) Which animals does Zach want?

▼ Check all that are correct.

- A. a dog
- B. a duck
- C. a kitten
- D. a pig

3) What color is Zach's dog?

A. _____

4) When Zach says, “I can't live without my animals,” what does he mean?

- A. He will die without animals.
- B. He loves his animals a lot.
- C. He has lost all his animals.
- D. He wants his animals in the house.

Questions (continued):

5) Who tells the story?

A. _____

6) What can be said about Zach from this story?

- A. He lives in a zoo.
- B. He wants a horse.
- C. He likes animals.
- D. He has six animals.

7) Which animals does Zach have?

▼ Check all that are correct.

- A. a duck
- B. a pig
- C. a lamb
- D. a rabbit

8) Zach's pig is very dirty. What could be a good name for him?

- A. Muddy
- B. Oink
- C. Pinkie
- D. Porky

9) Why is Sky a good name for Zach's bird?

- A. She is blue.
- B. That is where she lives.
- C. That is where she flies.
- D. That is where Zach found her.

10) How many animals does Zach have now?

A. _____