

Thurs

The Parrot who wouldn't Talk

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Ques 1 How do parrots and parakeets learn to talk?

Ans 1 Parrots and parakeets learn to talk after some member of the household had repeated them ^{words} many times in front of them.

Ques 2 Where did Aunt Ruby get the parrot from?

Ans 2 Aunt Ruby got the parrot from a birdcatcher who visited all the houses on their road.

Ques 3 Why did Aunt Ruby stop liking the parrot?

Ans 3 Aunt Ruby stopped liking the parrot because one day it lunged at her and pushed her spectacles off her nose.

Ques 4 How did Aunt Ruby start treating the parrot?

Ans 4 Aunt Ruby started making faces at the parrot and calling him a useless bird who couldn't talk, sing or dance,

Ques 5 How did the speaker treat the parrot?

Ans 5 The speaker treated the parrot with care and looked after it well.

Ques 6 What made Aunt Ruby turn ruby-red?

Ans 6 Aunt Ruby turned ruby-red when the parrot shrieked, "You're useless, can't talk, can't sing, can't dance!"

B Read the lines and answer the questions

1. "I see your aunt's parrot has escaped."

Ans a) Grandfather said these words to the writer.

b) The parrot escaped, when the writer, after giving him lunch left the cage door open.

c) Yes, the parrot came back.

2. "You're useless. Can't talk, can't sing, can't dance!"

Ans a) The parrot is the speaker. It is speaking to Aunt Ruby.

b) After the parrot said this Aunt Ruby turned ruby red and ran inside.

c) Aunt Ruby had said these words before.