



# LEON CHAMELEON P.I.



*and the case of the missing canary eggs*

## STUDY QUESTIONS

### **CHAPTER ONE**

1. Who is the author of the book?
2. Who is the illustrator?
3. What do the letters PI stand for?
4. How many of Mrs Canary's eggs were stolen?
5. Draw a nest with the eggs and colour them correctly.

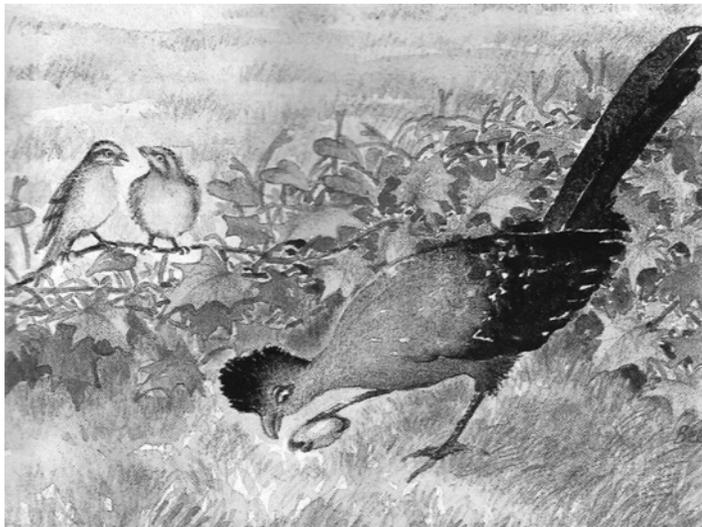


6. Write the titles that go with  
..... Crow  
..... Mole  
..... Leonardo  
..... Loerie
7. Look up the meanings of  
Villains  
Crooks

Composure

## **CHAPTER TWO**

1. Colour in Sergeant Loerie and Mr & Mrs Canary

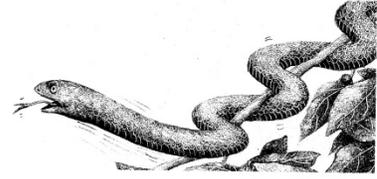


2. What is unusual about the way a bat sleeps?
3. Who were the main suspects on Sergeant Loerie's list?
4. Why was Leon Chameleon so good at undercover operations?



## **CHAPTER THREE**

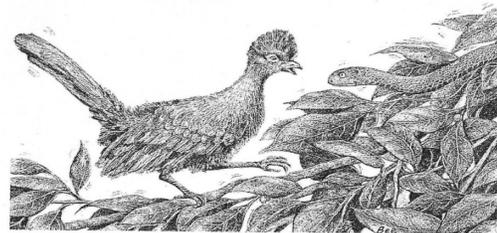
1. Match the bird to the correct sound
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|------------------------------|-----------------|
| <i>Kok-kok-kok-kok-Krook</i> | Stool Pigeon    |
| <i>Tweti-tweti-twiti</i>     | Lieutenant Crow |
| <i>Tseeu</i>                 | Sergeant Loerie |
| <i>Kraah</i>                 | Mrs Canary      |



2. What is a Southern Brown Egg-Eater?
3. Name one good and one bad point about a mole.
4. What colour did Leon turn when he became angry? Name 2 places and two colours

## **CHAPTER FOUR**

1. What is a '*wild goose chase*'?
2. Select 10 words from page 25 with the suffix – *ing*



3. Look up the meaning of the word *ransom* in your dictionary.

## **CHAPTER FIVE**

1. What 2 clues made them think that House Rat was the culprit?

2. What does the word *nocturnal* mean?

3. What did they eat?

Chameleon

Rat

Mole

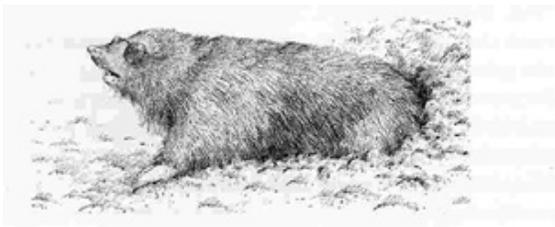
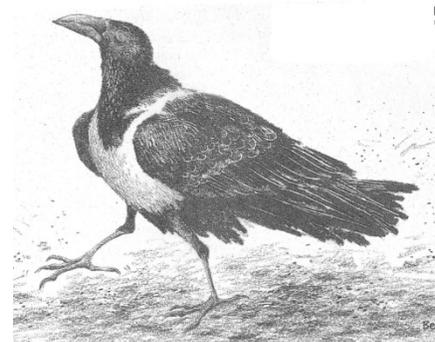
4. What strange items were found in House Rat's nest?



## **CHAPTER SIX**

1. What does the word *preen* mean?

2. Why do you think mole *fumbles* and *constantly trips*?



3. Who was the thief?

4. Who rescued the eggs and carried them off?

## CHAPTER SEVEN

1. How had Mole tricked House Rat?
2. What did House Rat do when he was angry?
3. Explain the meaning of the words 'you're busted.'
4. What is a 'stool pigeon'?
5. Who became House Rat's lawyer?
6. Explain the difference between a major and a minor offence.
7. What is Spotted Owl's nickname?
8. Which bird's call is 'dee dee deederick'?
9. What does a stenographer do?
10. Why do you think tree frog has sticky feet?



## CHAPTER EIGHT

1. Match the sounds correctly  
"Hu-hoo"      Tree Frog  
"Nnnnup"      Mr Canary  
"Tseeu"      Spotted Eagle Owl

2. Why was Mrs House Rat not in court?
3. Who was sitting on the eggs?
4. What did Mrs Canary feed her babies?



5. Look up the meaning of  
Ravenous  
Pungent odour

## CHAPTER NINE

1. Why did House Rat say that his wife had eaten one of Mrs Canary's eggs?
2. Do you think this was the right thing to do?
3. What is unusual about a Diederik Cuckoo's nesting habits?



4. How did Leon track down House Rat?
5. Name 3 animals/ insects that are part of an owl's diet.
6. What does the word 'intimidated' mean about owl's unblinking stare?

## CHAPTER TEN

1. What is a 'long-winded' tale?

Do you know anyone who tells one?

2. What is a 'nocturnal' creature?

Name one:

3. Who says 'Gertchagertcha gertchagertcha'?



4. What is the nickname of this bird and why?

5. What was owl's verdict?

6. What was the sentence and do you think it was fair?

7. What is a 'gavel'. Who used it in this story and why?



8. Did you enjoy this story? Explain your answer.

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