

## CE2 Assessment

Read the text carefully before answering the questions:

When morning came, Mr Gregg was first to wake up. He opened his eyes.

He was about to put out a hand for his watch, to see the time. But his hand wouldn't come out.

'That's funny,' he said. 'Where is my hand?'

He lay still, wondering what was up. He tried the other hand.

That wouldn't come out either. He sat up. Then for the first time, he saw what he looked like!

He gave a yell and jumped out of bed.

Mrs Gregg woke up. And when she saw Mr Gregg standing there on the floor, she gave a yell too. For now he was a tiny little man! He was maybe as tall as the seat of a chair, but no taller.

And where his arms had been, he had a pair of duck's wings instead! ...

She ran to look at herself in the glass. But she was not tall enough to see into it. She was even smaller than Mr Gregg and she, too, had got wings instead of arms.

'Oh, oh, oh, oh!' sobbed Mrs Gregg. ...

A minute later Philip and William burst in. The same thing had happened to them. They had wings and no arms. And they were *really* tiny. They were about as big as robins.

Questions: (1 mark for each right answer)

1. What surprising change did the Gregg family realise about themselves when they woke up?
2. How was the Gregg's size different to their human size?

**Answers:**

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

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'Hey, look down there!' said Philip. 'Somebody is walking in our garden!'

They all looked down, and there below them, in their own garden, they saw four *enormous* wild ducks. The ducks were as big as men, and what is more, they had great long arms, like man, instead of wings. The ducks were walking in a line to the door of the Gregg's house, swinging their arms and holding their beaks high in the air.

'Stop!' called the tiny Mr Gregg, flying down low over their heads. 'Go away! That's my house!'

The ducks looked up and quacked. The first one put out a hand and opened the door of the house and went in. The others went in after him and the door shut.

Questions:

3. Who went into the Gregg's house?
4. How might the Greggs have felt seeing ducks taking over their house?

**Answers:**

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4. \_\_\_\_\_  
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... 'Shall I tell you what we are going to do? We are going to build a nest.'

'A nest!' they said. 'Can we do that?'

'We must do it,' said Mr Gregg. 'We've got to have somewhere to sleep;'

They flew off to a tall tree, and right at the top of it Mr Gregg chose the place for the nest. ...

'More' he said. 'I want more and more sticks. Keep going.'

After a while he said, 'That's enough sticks. Now I need leaves and feathers and things like that to make the inside nice and soft. The building of the nest went on and on. It took a long time. But at last it was finished. ...

'What fun to be living so high up,' said Philip. 'We may be small, but nobody can hurt us up here.'

'But what about food?' said Mrs Gregg. 'We haven't eaten a thing all day.'

Questions:

5. Where did the Gregg family decide to sleep after they could not get into their house?
6. What materials did the Greggs use to build their new shelter?
7. Why do you think that the Greggs decided to build a nest in a tree instead of finding another shelter on the ground?
8. How do you think the Greggs will find food?
9. How would you feel about living like a bird and what would you miss most about being human? (2 marks)

Answers:

5. \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_

7. \_\_\_\_\_

8. \_\_\_\_\_

9. \_\_\_\_\_

Story writing section for the CE2 Entrance Test 2025:

Choose 1 of the questions to answer.

**1. If I woke up as a bird ...**

Imagine that you wake up one morning and you have turned into a bird, just like the Gregg family. Write a story about your adventure!

Think about:

- What kind of bird would you be?
- What would you do first?
- Where would you fly?
- Would you try to talk to other birds?
- How would you feel about being a bird? Happy? Scared? Frightened?

**2. The Ducks take over!**

The ducks move into the Gregg's house. Pretend you are one of the ducks. Write a story about what happens when you and your duck family start living in the house.

Think about:

- What do you do when you first move into the house?
- What is it like to live like a human?
- What funny things happen?
- Do you enjoy being in the house or do you start to miss the outside world?
- What do you think when you see the Gregg family as birds?

**3. A new ending ...**

Imagine that the Gregg family does not turn back to being human, they stay as ducks. What happens next?

Think about:

- How do they survive as birds?
- Do they learn to talk to other birds?
- Do they ever meet a wizard who can help them?
- Do they try to make friends with the ducks and live together?
- Do they ever get their house back.

A total of 10 marks will be awarded