



1. Douglas Corrigan got a new name in 1938. One day he flew a small plane out of New York. He planned to go to California, but he landed in Ireland 28 hours later! He said he'd made a mistake. From then on he was known as "Wrong Way Corrigan."

2. An odd burst of energy in space puzzled astronomer Jocelyn Bell. Because friends joked about "little green men" sending messages, the burst was named LGM-1. But more signals appeared, and scientists finally found out that stars were exploding and giving off energy. This burst of power that Bell found was called a pulsar.

3. You've heard of Paul Revere's ride. But Sybil Ludington, who was 16, made a longer, more courageous ride. In 1777 a rider warned that the British were attacking. Ludington jumped on her horse and went to spread the alarm, riding 40 miles in one night. The American soldiers she alerted drove the British back to their ships.

4. Every Fourth of July, an Arizona town holds an odd egg-frying contest. It gets very hot there in the summer. The eggs are cooked on the hot pavement of downtown streets. The rules say only solar heat may be used. The eggs have to be finished in 15 minutes.

5. The Siamese fighting fish has interesting habits. An angry male fighting fish changes colors. Its scales turn red, green, blue, and purple. The male fighting fish also helps hatch the fish eggs. After the eggs are laid, he gathers them into his mouth and blows them into a nest made of bubbles. He then stays on guard to protect the eggs.

SCENE

Name: _____

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1. The story mainly tells
- A. where Douglas Corrigan was headed
 - B. how many hours it took to fly to Ireland
 - C. how to get to California
 - D. how Corrigan got a new name

2. The story mainly tells
- A. when people thought aliens were sending messages
 - B. about the discovery of pulsars
 - C. why exploding stars give off energy
 - D. how little green men send messages

3. The story mainly tells
- A. how far Ludington rode in one night
 - B. who the American soldiers were fighting
 - C. about Ludington's brave ride
 - D. what happened to Paul Revere on his ride

4. The story mainly tells
- A. where it gets very hot
 - B. when the contest takes place
 - C. how an Arizona town holds an odd egg-frying contest
 - D. when the eggs need to be finished

5. The story mainly tells
- A. how the male fish helps hatch eggs
 - B. how the male fish builds a nest
 - C. why the male fish changes colors
 - D. what unusual things the fighting fish does