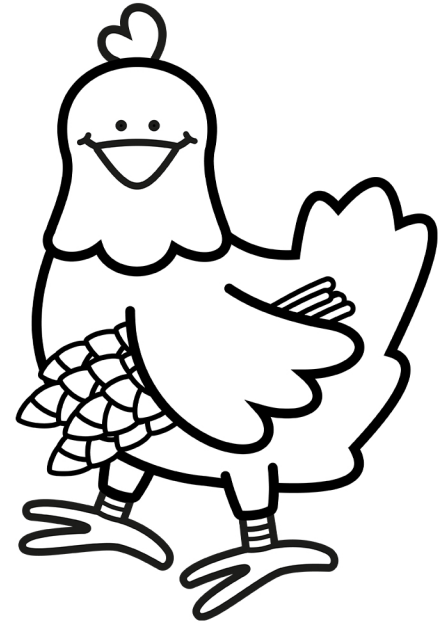


Once upon a time, in a cozy barnyard, lived a little red hen who found some grains of wheat. Excited about her find, she planned to plant them to grow wheat, which could then be made into bread. However, she needed help to prepare the ground, plant the grains, and eventually harvest the wheat. She asked her friends - the dog, the cat, and the duck - if they would help her with these tasks. But each time, they replied, "Not I," and went about their day, leaving the little red hen to do the work all by herself.

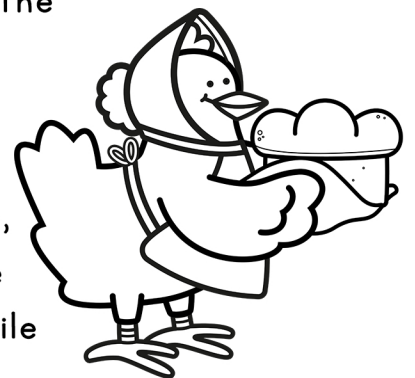
Determined, the little red hen worked hard, preparing the ground, planting the grains, watering them, and finally, the wheat grew tall and golden.



When it was time to harvest the wheat, the little red hen again asked her friends for help, but just like before, they all said, "Not I." So, the little red hen harvested the wheat herself. After the harvest, she asked her friends if they would help her grind the wheat into flour and then bake the bread. Each time, the dog, the cat, and the duck refused, leaving the little red hen to do the work alone. She ground the wheat into flour and baked a delicious loaf of bread, filling the barnyard with its warm, inviting smell.



Seeing the freshly baked bread, the dog, the cat, and the duck suddenly wanted to help - but this time, it was to eat the bread. The little red hen, remembering how she had done all the work by herself, decided that she would eat the bread with her chicks instead. She told her friends, "Since none of you helped me plant the wheat, harvest it, grind it into flour, or bake the bread, you shall not help me eat it." And so, the little red hen and her chicks enjoyed the delicious bread, while her friends learned an important lesson about the value of hard work and helping others.

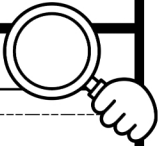


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Use three words to describe the little red hen.



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Who did hen share the bread with at the end of the story?

**Word Bank:**

determined      harvest      barnyard      bread

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Use three words to describe the little red hen.

**Determined, fair, productive, hard working,  
etc...**

Why do you think hen's friends wanted to help with the eating but nothing else?

**They are lazy but want to eat the bread  
because it smelled good.**

How many settings are included in this story and what are they?

**2 - barnyard and wheat field**

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**Prepare the ground/plant the wheat**

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**Her chicks**

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