

I, Houdini

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Characters:

Houdini- The hamster that can escape from any cage. A very unique hamster.

Father- Believes that pets are alright in their place, the cage.

Guy- Realized that his hamster was gone when he turned five. Had two brothers, Mark and Adam.

Mark- Brother to Guy and Adam. Had a feeling for animals.

Adam- Brother to Guy and Mark.

Fanny- The children's grandmother that had promised the children a hamster cage for Christmas.

Ben- The neighbor who took care of Houdini while the father was mad at him.

Questions:

1. Where did Houdini think that he was born? A pet shop
2. Does Houdini enjoy biting humans? No
3. Who was the first to realize that Houdini was missing in the beginning of the book? Guy
4. Where did the father put Houdini after he found him the first time?
In a plastic garbage can
5. What was Mark wearing when he let Houdini run up his arm? A woolen sweater
6. Where did Houdini first learn muscle control? The piano
7. What did the children call Houdini in the beginning of the story?
Goldy
8. What did Father call Houdini? It
9. What is an escapologist? Someone whose profession is escaping
10. What did the man at the pet shop call the cage that the boys bought for Houdini? Escape-proof
11. What trick could Houdini do on the stairs? Climb up and down them
12. What did Houdini call the living room? The piano room
13. Why did Houdini break the water pipe? To get a drink
14. What color was the hamster that Houdini lived with at the neighbor's house? White, black, and reddish
15. Which did Houdini hate more, cats or dogs? Cats

16. Who did Houdini fall in love with? Oggi
17. How did Houdini get into Oggi's cage? Ben let him in
18. What did the boys learn from Ben? If you put books on Houdini's cage he can't escape
19. Who was the messiest child? Guy
20. Where did Houdini hide from the rain when he went outside for the second time? Under a garbage can lid
21. What was the first dead thing that Houdini saw? A snail
22. What was wrong with Ben's father? He was an alcoholic
23. Where did Houdini find himself trapped in the home with the drunken man and mistreated dog? The ice box
24. How many of Houdini's children look like him? Three

In What Book...

Was there a hamster named Goldie?

Did a boy have an alcoholic father?

Did a hamster long for freedom?

Did a female hamster bite a male hamster?

Did someone consider himself to be above all others in his species?

Could a hamster escape from any cage?