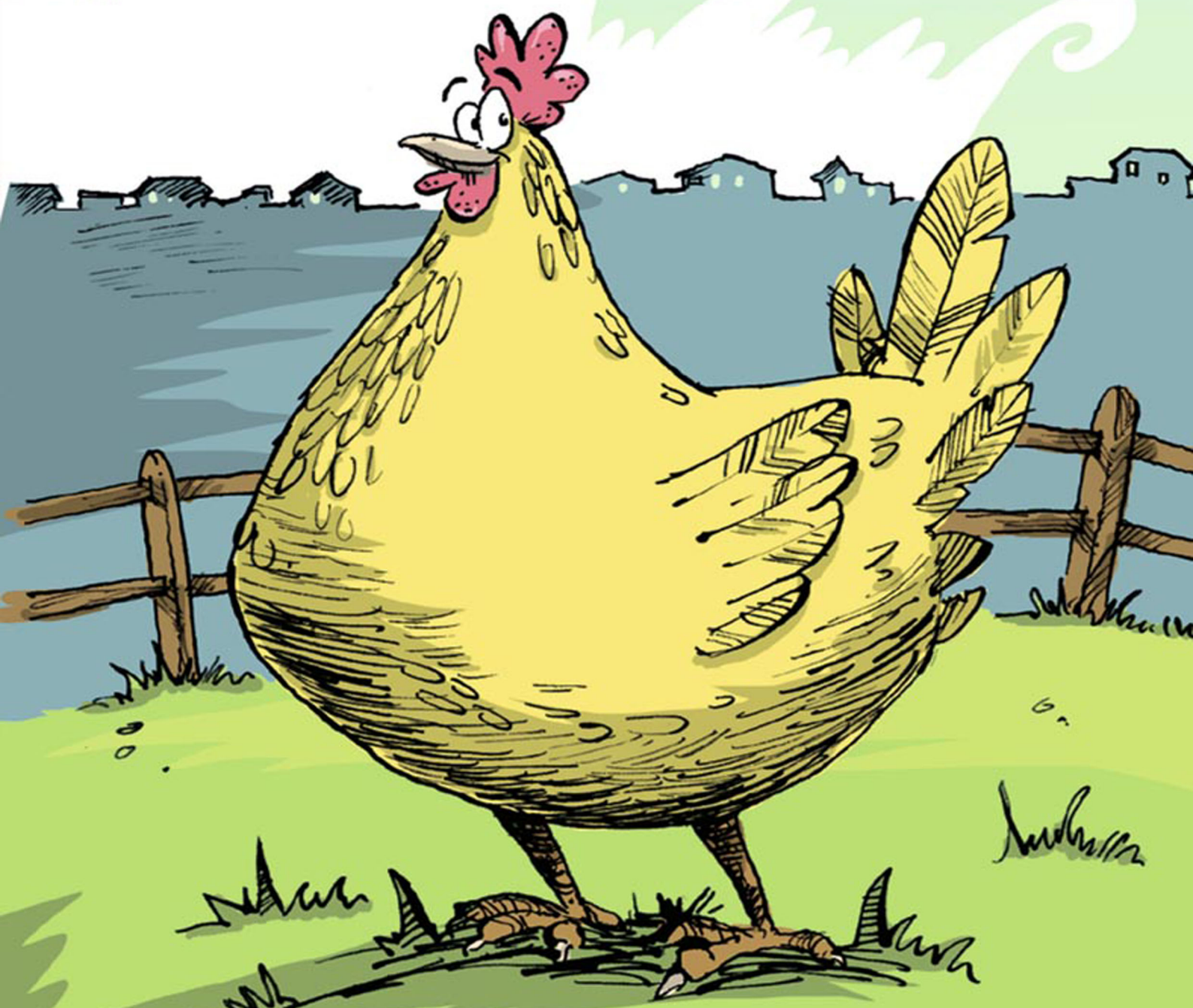


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CHAPTER ONE



The Beginning

Six eggs were huddled next to each other in a nest box. They had been there for many weeks, and they were starting to get bored.

“Can you hear me?” one of them called out.

“Yes! I can hear you,” another replied excitedly.

The six eggs chatted together, wondering where their new homes would be.

“I hope I live on a farm,” one said.

“I want to live in a castle!” another chimed in.

“I want to live by the sea!” a third one added.

One day before they hatched, the eggs were moved to their new homes. Four of the eggs went to a chicken coop in a large yard. The fifth went to a different spot in the yard.

The sixth egg had an immediate adventure. A family named Irving bought it, along with 11 other eggs in a basket. At the Irvings’ home, the

sixth egg rolled down the driveway and under a bush!

The chick spent her last night in a shell under the bush in the front yard. The next morning, she pipped through her shell, a downy ball of yellow fluff. She looked around, wondering where she was.

Like all chickens, she could start walking almost right away. And walk she did. She walked all the way down Darcy Avenue and stopped at a house on Saticoy Street.

The little chick was very tired. She saw a pretty ivy-covered gazebo surrounded by rose bushes. “This seems like a good place to take a nap,” she yawned, settling under some white roses. A few hours later, the refreshed chick awoke and decided to explore her surroundings.

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