

## **GETTING A FLOCK STARTED - QUIZ**

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<u>3.</u>	_What is the name for the location where chicks are provided heat for the first few
	weeks after hatch?
<u>4.</u>	_What is the difference between warm-room and cold-room brooding (2 points)?
5.	When using cold-room brooding, what is the purpose of the brooder guard?
6.	What is the problem with the temperature if the chick distribution is similar to that in the diagram below?

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8.	List five characteristics of a good litter material:
9.	What is the most efficient bedding material for poultry houses?
10	.What do you need to do to straw to be make it a more effective bedding material for poultry?
11.	If you don't have the material listed in question 10, why is sawdust not recommended?
12	.What is the main problem when bedding material goes moldy?
	.Why can't chicks swallow?
14	.What does it mean for chickens to be pasture-raised?



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- 1. What is the difference between altricial and precocial birds (2 points)?

  ALTRICIAL BIRDS ARE THOSE THAT REQUIRE A PAENT TO TEND TO THEM

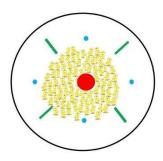
  AFTER THEY HATCH WHILE PRECOCIAL BRDS ARE ABLE TO GET UP AND

  RUN AROUND WITHIN A FEW HOURS OF HATCHING.
- 2. Which poultry species is altricial? PIGEONS
- 3. What is the name for the location where chicks are provided heat for the first few weeks after hatch? BROODER
- 4. What is the difference between warm-room and cold-room brooding (2 points)?

  IN WARM-ROOM BROODING THE WHOLE ROOM IS KEPT WARM. IN COLD

  ROOM BROODING THE SOURCES OF HEAT PROVIDE AREAS OF HEAT

  RATHER THAN HEATING THE WHOLE ROOM
- 5. When using cold-room brooding, what is the purpose of the brooder guard?
  POSSIBLE ANSWERS: TO KEEP CHICKS FROM WANDERING AWAY FROM
  HEAT SOURCE, AND TO KEEP CHICKS CLOSE TO FEED AND WATER
- 6. What is the problem with the temperature if the chick distribution is similar to that in the diagram below? <u>TOO COLD</u>



7. What is the problem with the temperature if the chick distribution is similar to that in the diagram below? TOO HOT 8. List five characteristics of a good litter material: POSSIBLE ANSWERS: NON-TOXIC TO BIRDS; FREE OF CONTAMINANTS; VERY ABSORBENT; HAVE A REASONABLY SHORT DRYING TIME' HAVE REDUCED THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY; ABLE TO BE REPURPOSED; READILY AVAILABLE; RELATIVELY INEXPENSIVE 9. What is the most efficient bedding material for poultry houses? PINE SHAVINGS 10. What do you need to do to straw to be make it a more effective bedding material for poultry? <u>CHOP IT</u> 11. If you don't have the material listed in question 10, why is sawdust not recommended? CHICKS HAVE A TENDENCY TO EAT IT 12. What is the main problem when bedding material goes moldy? MYCOTOXINS

14. What does it mean for chickens to be pasture-raised? THE CHICKS HAVE SPENT AT LEAST A PART OF THEIR LIFE ON PASTURE