

Chapter 1 – Stillwater

One afternoon Mr. Popper the house painter was returning to his home at 432 Proudfoot Ave. in Stillwater. Mr. Popper was a dreamer and no one knew what was going on in his head.

While Mr. Popper painted he dreamt of faraway countries since he had never been out of Stillwater. He loved his home in Stillwater but he wished he had visited the north and south poles. He sometimes wished he had become a scientist in the Arctic.

When a new national geographic book or movie came out about the arctic he would be the first one to get it. Each night he would snuggle into his chair and read about the explorer's of the Arctic's adventures.

The fall season was coming to an end and that meant Mr. Popper would not have much more painting to do. Most people would get their houses painted throughout the summer. Mrs. Popper was worried about the money and hoped they would be able to get through the winter.



Chapter 1 Review Questions

1. What is the Popper's home address?

- a) 432 Proudfoot Avenue
- b) 55 Brenton Court
- c) 94 Lincoln Drive
- d) 74 Claypool Drive

2. What job did Mr. Popper wish he could have?

3. What season was coming to an end?

- a) Autumn
- b) Spring
- c) Summer
- d) Winter

4. What was Mr. Popper's job?

- a) Painter
- b) Teacher
- c) Doctor
- d) Musician

5. What was Mrs. Popper worried about?

- a) Money
- b) Ghosts
- c) Tigers
- d) Salamanders

Chapter 2 – The Voice in the Air

Each evening Mr. and Mrs. Popper would settle down and relax by the fire. Mr. Popper would read his magazines and enjoy his pipe as Mrs. Popper would mend.

Tonight Mr. Popper was reading about Antarctic Adventures. Mrs. Popper thought all of this was very dull. Mr. Popper tried to explain that if she had seen the movies she would understand how great it was. He thought the penguins were the best. How fun they had sliding around the ice. Mr. Popper tried to explain that penguins are very smart and would make a good pet. Mrs. Popper did not agree and reminded him they already had a goldfish for a pet.

Soon Mr. Popper realized that tonight was the first night of the Drake Expedition broadcasts. It was men on an expedition to the South Pole and they would be broadcasting live from the South Pole. Mr. Popper turned on the radio and heard Admiral Drake speaking and then to his amazement Admiral Drake thanked Mr. Popper for the wonderful letters. Then Admiral Drake told him to be waiting for a surprise in the mail. Mr. Popper was full of excitement in wondering what the surprise would be.



Chapter 2 – Review Questions

1. What animal did Mr. Popper like the best?

- a) penguins
- b) dogs
- c) chickens
- d) computers

2. What did Mrs. Popper think of the Arctic adventure stories?

- a) dull
- b) exciting
- c) scary
- d) mad

3. What pet did they already have?

4. Tonight was the first night of what broadcast?

- a) Drake Expedition
- b) Rainforest Adventure
- c) Percy Fawcett Talks
- d) Dinosaur Adventures

5. What did Admiral Drake thank Mr. Popper for?

- a) letters
- b) stickers
- c) food
- d) boat

Chapter 3 – Out of the Antarctic

Mr. Popper couldn't sleep that night since he was full of excitement wondering about the surprise. The next day he tried to read the Antarctic books but he couldn't stay focused and kept wondering about what would come in the mail.

Later that day the doorbell rang. Mr. Popper went to the door to find an Express Mail man. With him was a large package sent from the Antarctic. The box read "keep cool and un pack at once". The box was also full of air holes.

Quickly Mr. Popper grabbed the screwdriver and quickly removed the outer boards and dry ice. Then he heard a faint "orc". He had heard that sound before in the movies. It was definitely a penguin. The penguin jumped out of the box and stood there about 2 feet high. Mr. Popper knew penguins were curious and within minutes the penguin was walking around the house inspecting all the rooms.

When the penguin got to the bathroom it stopped and stood there. Mr. Popper filled the bath tub up with cold water and the penguin jumped in. A few moments later Janie and Bill his two young children burst in and asked what it was. Mr. Popper told them it was a penguin.

The penguin began marching back and forth within the bathtub. 6 steps forward and then 6 steps back. The children were very amused. The penguin kept making a sound that sounded like "cook". Mr. Popper and the children decided to name the penguin Cook.



Chapter 3 Review Questions

1. What was written on the box?

2. What was in the box?

- a) children
- b) dogs
- c) toys
- d) penguins

3. What were the children's names?

4. What did they name the penguin?

- a) Cook
- b) Bob
- c) James
- d) Franklin

Chapter 4

“Who should we call Captain Cook” Mrs. Popper called out from the other room. “The penguin, that just arrived from Admiral Drake” Mr. Popper responded. He was a famous English explorer who attempted to reach the South Pole. “Oh dear, well at least he is a nice clean looking bird” said Mrs. Popper.

Then Mr. Cook went into the other room and began looking around. Maybe he is hungry Mr. Popper thought. They went into the kitchen and took all the food out of the refrigerator to see what he would like to eat. Mr. Cook looked at all the food but then walked into the other room and ate the goldfish in the bowl.

Mr. Popper cleared out the ice box and showed Captain Cook. The penguin jumped right in and fell asleep.



Chapter 4 Review Questions

1. Who is Admiral Drake?

- a) English Explorer
- b) Danish Doctor
- c) German Teacher
- d) French Actor

2. What did the penguin eat?

- a) goldfish
- b) chicken
- c) dog
- d) crab

3. What did Mr. Popper clear out for the penguin?

- a) ice box
- b) toy chest
- c) computer room
- d) garage

Chapter 5 – Troubles with a Penguin

The next day Mrs. Popper went shopping for shrimp for Captain Cook. While she was gone the ice box repair man arrived. Mr. Popper asked the repair man to make more air holes in the ice box and a handle that could open from the inside. The repair man didn't think Mr. Popper was right in the head, and Mr. Popper didn't feel like telling the repair man about the penguin.

While the repairman was working on the handle Captain Cook walked in and started pecking him. The repair man got scared and quickly ran off. Fortunately the repair man had just finished putting the handle in. Now Captain Cook could get in and out of the ice box by himself.



Chapter 5 Review Questions

1. What does Mrs. Popper go shopping for?

- a) shrimp
- b) bread
- c) bagels
- d) eggs

2. What 2 things did Mr. Popper ask the repair man to fix?

3. What did Captain Cook do the repair man?

- a) kissed
- b) pecked
- c) kicked
- d) hugged

4. What could Captain Cook do by himself after the handle was put in?

Chapter 6 – More Troubles

Later that same day a policeman arrived at the Popper's back door. He asked if the penguin was there. Mr. Popper told him yes the penguin was their family pet. He told them that since it was only a bird that it was okay to keep.

Before the policeman left Mr. Popper asked if it was okay if he walked him down the streets with a leash. The policeman told him he didn't know but to call city hall and ask if he needed to get a license to walk Captain Cook.

Mr. Popper tried to explain to the woman at city hall but she didn't understand what a penguin was. Mr. Popper figured if they didn't know what a penguin was they couldn't have any rules saying he couldn't take it for a walk.



Chapter 6 – Review Questions

1. Who arrived at the house the next day?

- a) policeman
- b) fireman
- c) doctors
- d) chicken farmers

2. What did Mr. Popper ask the policeman if it was okay to do?

- a) walk the penguin
- b) take an airplane
- c) go the library
- d) read the newspaper

3. Who did Mr. Popper call to see about a leash?

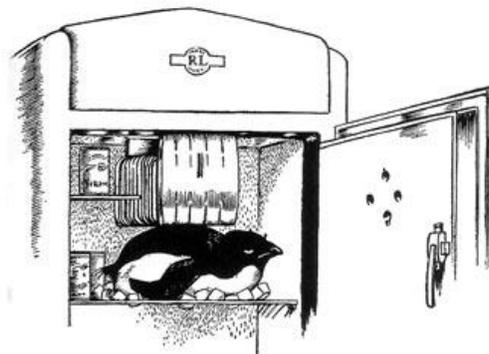
- a) city hall
- b) mom
- c) aunt and uncle
- d) Dr. Phil

Chapter 7 – Captain Cook builds a nest

Each day Janie and Bill went to school and missed Captain Cook. Throughout the day Captain Cook would curiously walk and inspect all parts of the house.

Sometimes Captain Cook would pick an item up with his red beak and bring it back to his ice box. Soon Mr. and Mrs. Popper noticed that Captain Cook had created a nest from odd items around the house. Some of the items he used were marbles, a dolls chair, a cup, an eraser, tin foil, and a belt buckle.

That night Mr. Popper dressed up in his finest tuxedo and prepared to go out for the night. He even looked like a penguin himself. He would take Captain Cook on his first walk outside of the house.



Chapter 7 Review Questions

1. Where did Jamie and Bill go during the day?

- a) zoo
- b) school
- c) park
- d) dance class

2. What color was the penguins beak?

- a) red
- b) blue
- c) green
- d) yellow

3. What are three things the penguin used for a nest?

4. What did Mr. Popper wear on his walk?

- a) tuxedo
- b) green hat
- c) large bow tie
- d) polka dotted pants

Chapter 8 – Penguins Promenade

Mr. Popper quickly found out it was not very easy to take a penguin for a walk. Captain Cook did not like being on the clothes line lease.

The first person they saw was Mrs. Callahan who was walking home. She stopped and stared in amazement and asked Mr. Popper what it was. He told her it was a penguin, but she was not happy and told him to get away.

As Mr. Popper and Captain were walking by the pharmacy a car pulled up and two camera men got out. A small crowd started to gather around all of them. The photographers began taking pictures as the newspaper editor interviewed him.

After they took a few pictures Mr. Popper and Captain Cook continued on their walk. The crowd around them got bigger and bigger. Mr. Popper wanted to get away from them so he turned quickly into a barber shop to hide from the crowd.



Chapter 8 Review Questions

1. Who was the first person Mr. Popper and the Captain Cook saw?
 - a) Mrs. Callahan
 - b) George Washington
 - c) James Churchill
 - d) Pablo Picasso

2. How did the lady feel about seeing the penguin?
 - a) excited
 - b) scared
 - c) not happy
 - d) disappointed

3. Who interviewed them?
 - a) doctors
 - b) teachers
 - c) newspaper editor
 - d) radio man

4. Where did Mr. Popper go into to get away from the large group of people?
 - a) school yard
 - b) barber shop
 - c) grocery store
 - d) pet shop

Chapter 9 – Barber Shop

It was very quiet in the barbershop. Captain Cook jumped up next to the barber who was cutting a young man's hair. When the man saw Captain Cook he jumped up and rushed out of the barbershop. The barber told them to get out. Mr. Popper went out the back door of the barber shop to avoid the crowd.

As they continued their walk they came across a large staircase. Captain Cook walked up the steps as Mr. Popper followed. As they reached the top Captain Cook jumped up and began toboggan down. Since Mr. Popper had him on a leash he was quickly pulled down the stair after Captain Cook.

When they got to the bottom Mr. Popper called for a taxi to bring them home. When he got home Mr. Popper took a hot shower and went to bed.



Chapter 9 Review Questions

1. What did the barber tell Mr. Popper and Captain Cook to do?

- a) leave
- b) get a haircut
- c) have a snack
- d) take a rest

2. Why did Mr. Popper leave out the back door?

3. What did they come across farther along their walk?

- a) trampoline
- b) museum
- c) large staircase
- d) elevator

4. What did Mr. Popper call for to bring them home?

- a) taxi
- b) bus
- c) Mrs. Popper
- d) mayor

5. What did Mr. Popper do when he got home?

Chapter 10 – Shadows

The next day there was a picture and a story about Mr. Popper and Captain Cook. By the weekend all the major newspapers around the country were running the story.

Mr. Popper liked all the attention but Captain Cook was very sad. He sulked all day. He no longer played or walked around. He just slept in his ice box. Captain Cook was getting sick too. Mrs. Popper called the doctor who left some medicine to try and help Captain Cook.

Captain Cook kept getting sicker so Mr. Popper wrote a letter to Dr. Smith the curator of the largest aquarium in the world in Mammoth City. Two days later Mr. Popper received a letter from Dr. Smith explaining they also had a penguin in the aquarium who was sick. Dr. Smith thought the penguin was lonely so he was sending the penguin to Mr. Popper.

That is how Greta the penguin came to live with the Poppers.



Chapter 10 Review Questions

1. By the weekend who was running the story about Mr. Popper and the penguin?

- a) newspapers
- b) schools
- c) trains
- d) busses

2. How was Captain Cook feeling?

- a) angry
- b) sad
- c) tired

3. Who did Mr. Popper call to help Captain Cook?

4. Where did Dr. Smith work?

- a) aquarium
- b) school
- c) park
- d) bus

5. What did Dr. Smith think was wrong with his penguin?

- a) lonely
- b) angry
- c) scared

Chapter 11 – Greta

Captain Cook was very happy that Greta was there. The two penguins relaxed together in the ice box. The first problem the Poppers had was telling them apart. Mrs. Popper went and got some paint and painted their names on their backs.

Mrs. Popper was also concerned that there was not enough room for the penguins in the ice box. Mr. Popper decided to open all the windows in the house and let the penguins stay in the house. It was very cold and after the first snow storm the house was full of snow. Mr. Popper also covered the floors with water and by the morning there was ice all over the house.

Captain Cook and Greta loved playing throughout the ice and snow. Most days Bill and Janie would play alongside the two penguins.



Chapter 11 Review Questions

1. What was the name of the penguin that Dr. Smith sent Mr. Popper?

- a) Greta
- b) Sarah
- c) Jaimie
- d) Bob

2. What did Mrs. Popper pain on their backs?

- a) names
- b) numbers
- c) pictures
- d) box

3. What did Mr. Penguin do to all the doors and windows?

- a) opened them
- b) broke them
- c) sold them
- d) locked them

4. What covered the inside of the house?

- a) dirt and mud
- b) snow and ice
- c) wood and paper
- d) mice and cats

Chapter 12 – More mouths to feed

The following day Mr. Popper called an engineer and had a large freezing machine in the basement. He then moved Captain Cook and Greta downstairs. After a few days Mr. Popper noticed that Greta had laid three eggs in her new nest. Every 3rd day Greta laid another egg until she had 10 eggs in all.

Soon the penguin chicks were born and began to grow very fast. Mr. Popper named the penguins Nelson, Columbus, Louisa, Jennie, Scott, Magellan, Adeline, Isabella, Ferdinand, and Victoria.

The penguins all enjoyed playing in their ice basement. They even created an ice rink and an ice castle to live in. Most nights Janie and Bill would watch the penguins playing in the basement.



Chapter 12 Review Questions

1. What did Mr. Popper have installed in the basement?

- a) garage door opener
- b) egg incubator
- c) freezing machine
- d) chocolate maker

2. How many eggs did Greta lay in all?

- a) 5
- b) 10
- c) 15
- d) 20

3. What is your favorite penguin name that Mr. Popper picked for the baby penguins?

4. What did the penguins create in the basement?

- a) ice rink
- b) igloo
- c) waterfall
- d) curling court

Chapter 13 – Money Worries

One night after the children went to bed Mrs. Popper sat down to talk with Mr. Popper. She asked him how they were going to come up with the money to pay all the bills for the penguins.

After they decided they couldn't eat them or sell the penguins they thought they could train the penguins to be performers. They could be like trained seals.

The following day Mrs. Popper began playing the piano as Mr. Popper taught them different dances and marches to do. The penguins caught on quick and within a few weeks Mr. Popper was convinced they were ready to play in any theatre.



Chapter 13 Review Questions

1. What did Mr. and Mrs. Popper need to pay for all the bills?

- a) money
- b) love
- c) chickens
- d) candy

2. What did they think they could train the penguins to be?

- a) soldiers
- b) swimmers
- c) performers
- d) boxers

3. What instrument did Mrs. Popper play?

- a) guitar
- b) drums
- c) piano
- d) saxophone

4. What did Mr. Popper teach them how to do?

- a) swim and eat
- b) sleep and go to the bathroom
- c) dance and march
- d) jump and hide

Chapter 14 – Mr. Greenbaum

A few days later Mr. Popper saw that Mr. Greenbaum the owner of the Palace Theatre was in town. He owned theatres throughout the country. The Poppers decided to go down to the theatre and speak with Mr. Greenbaum.

Mr. and Mrs. Popper, Janie, Bill, and all of the penguins went and got on the bus for downtown. Before the driver could notice all the penguins had gotten onto the bus. The penguins behaved on the bus as the other passengers looked at them in confusion.

Soon they arrived at the Palace Theatre and met Mr. Greenbaum. Mr. Popper told them they were the Popper's Performing Penguins direct from the South Pole. Mr. Greenbaum told them to show him the act.



Chapter 14 Review Questions

1. What theatre did Mr. Greenbaum own?

- a) star light
- b) dancing wolves
- c) Palace
- d) Prestige

2. How did the Poppers and the penguins get down town to the theatre?

- a) car
- b) bus
- c) train
- d) taxi

3. How did the other passengers look at the penguins?

- a) excited
- b) confused
- c) sad
- d) mad

4. Where did Mr. Popper say his penguins were from?

- a) Zoo
- b) South Pole
- c) Japan
- d) England

Chapter 15 – Poppers Performing Penguins

As they were about to start the audition the manager walked in. He told them the act that was supposed to perform that night didn't show up and the people all wanted their money back. Mrs. Popper told them to let the penguins fill in for the show. After a quick rehearsal the stage manager introduced the Popper Performing Penguins.

Mrs. Popper began playing and the penguins began marching along. The crowd gave them a standing ovation. Then Nelson and Columbus began fighting on stage and the crowd began to laugh. Janie told them it was all part of the show. The penguins all joined flippers and bowed to the crowd.

Then Mr. Popper told them there was a final part 3. Two ladders were brought out onto stage with two boards laying across them. The penguins began fighting each other to get up the ladder. A moment later the curtain dropped and the audience stood up and cheered.

At the end of the show the manager had 12 ice cream cones brought in for the children and penguins. Mr. Greenbaum offered them a 10 week contract for \$5,000 a week. Mr. and Mrs. Popper agreed and then they signed the contract. Their first show would be in Seattle.



Chapter 15 Review Questions

1. Who introduced the Popper Performing Penguins?

- a) stage manager
- b) Mrs. Popper
- c) Janie and Bill
- d) Mr. Greenbaum

2. Which penguins began fighting on stage?

_____ and _____

3. What was brought on stage as part of the final act?

- a) books
- b) water
- c) buckets
- d) ladders

4. What did the audience do at the end?

- a) yelled
- b) threw things
- c) cheered

5. What did the manager bring the penguins at the end of the show?

- a) ice cream
- b) chickens
- c) fish

Chapter 16 – On the road

There were many things to do before the Poppers and the penguins went out on their tour. Mrs. Popper had to clean the house and they all had to pack for a long trip around the country. Mr. Greenbaum sent them their first check in advance. Mr. Popper took the money and paid the engineer who had installed the freezer in the basement and sent a check to the fish company who had been sending them fresh fish for the penguins.

On the way to the train station they took two cabs since they couldn't all fit into one. The cab drivers raced each other to the airport but as they were arriving they crashed into each other. Everyone was alright but the traffic cop was very annoyed.

Mr. Popper and the penguins would stay in the baggage car of the train which meant they had to walk all the way to the back of the train. At first the people didn't seem to mind but then the penguins began jumping trying to get to the upper part of the train. Finally the conductor came and calmed everyone down.

The penguins were a success at their first show in Seattle. The crowd gave them a standing ovation. The next act on the show was a high wire act. As the high wire act started the penguins came back out on stage and distracted the man on the high wire who almost fell. This also made the crowd cheer since they thought it was part of the show.



Chapter 16 Review Questions

1. What two people did Mr. Popper pay with the first check he got?
 - a) engineer and fish company
 - b) Dr. Smith and Admiral Drake
 - c) Teacher and the Doctor
 - d) Mr. Greenbaum and Dr. Phil

2. What happened to the cabs on the way to the train station?
 - a) ran out of gas
 - b) crashed
 - c) got stuck at the zoo

3. What part of the train did Mr. Popper and the penguins stay?
 - a) front
 - b) engine room
 - c) baggage car
 - d) kitchen

4. Where was their first show?
 - a) Boston
 - b) Seattle
 - c) Detroit
 - d) Chicago

Chapter 17 – Fame

As the tour continued around the country the penguins became famous. All of their shows would sell out and people would wait for miles to get a ticket.

The Popper's were far from their proud foot Avenue home. They were staying in luxurious hotels and each week they received a check for \$5,000. The penguins enjoyed staying at the hotels and most of the time they were well behaved.

The \$5,000 was a lot of money to the Popper's but they were also spending a lot of money on tour. The taxi rides, train rides, meals, and hotel room costs quickly started to add up. To save money Mr. Popper endorsed a canned shrimp company who then provided the penguins with free shrimp.

Near the end of the tour they reached the city of Boston. This was the first city they visited that was warm for the penguins. Mr. Popper had to bring in more ice to keep the penguins cool. Mr. Popper was also happy the tour was almost over since the penguins were becoming irritable.



Chapter 17 Review Questions

1. What would people wait for miles to get?

- a) money
- b) chocolate
- c) ticket
- d) water

2. Where were the penguins staying while on tour?

- a) zoo
- b) houses
- c) castles
- d) hotels

3. What were 2 things they were spending their money on?

4. What did Mr. Popper endorse to save money?

- a) flippers
- b) shrimp company
- c) train station
- d) public works

Chapter 18 – April Winds

After leaving Boston the penguins traveled to New York City. It was very warm in New York City. Mr. Popper took the penguins to the roof of the hotel to get some cool winds.

After cooling the penguins off they left for their show at the Regal theatre.

At the theatre they met Sven Svenson and his trained seals. Mr. Popper was afraid the seals would eat the penguins.

The penguins chased the seals up to their hotel room. Mr. Popper called the fire department to save the penguins. The penguins were okay and were playing with the seals.

Sven was so upset he had Mr. Popper and his penguins arrested for disturbing the peace. That's when they realized they were at the wrong theatre. They were at the Regal theatre and were supposed to be at the Royal Theatre.



Chapter 18 Review Questions

1. Where did the show travel after Boston?

- a) New York City
- b) Chicago
- c) Detroit
- d) Denver

2. What theatre did the penguins go to?

- a) Regal
- b) Palace
- c) Brockton
- d) Downtown

3. What other performing act was there?

- a) seals
- b) lions
- c) tigers
- d) bears

4. What happened to Mr. Popper and the penguins?

- a) fell asleep
- b) played a great show
- c) were arrested
- d) got hurt

Chapter 19 – Admiral Drake

The police came and arrested Mr. Popper and the penguins. He brought them down to the police station and told them their bail was \$100 each. Mr. and Mrs. Popper didn't have enough money to pay the bail. They hoped Mr. Greenbaum would arrive soon and help get them out.

A few days later the policeman came and got Mr. Popper and the penguins and told them their friend was there to pick them up. As Mr. Popper walked out and was about to thank Mr. Greenbaum he realized to his surprise that it was Admiral Drake. The Admiral told him his ship had arrived back yesterday and he had read about the trouble the penguins were in.

Admiral Drake, Mr. Popper, and the penguins headed back to the hotel. When they arrived the Admiral told Mr. Popper that there were no penguins in the North Pole and he would like to bring all of Popper's penguins there to start a colony. Then a movie producer arrived named Mr. Cline who wanted to make a movie about the penguins. He said the movie would make the Popper's very rich. Mr. Popper thanked both men and told them he would have his answer by tomorrow about sending the penguins to the North Pole or to have them in the movies.



Chapter 19 Review Questions

1. How much was their bail?

- a) \$10
- b) \$100
- c) \$500
- d) \$1,000

2. Who came to get the penguins and Mr. Popper out of jail?

- a) Mrs. Popper
- b) Janie and Bill
- c) Mr. Greenbaum
- d) Admiral Drake

3. Where did Admiral Drake say there were NO penguins?

- a) South Pole
- b) North Pole
- c) Zoo

4. Who was Mr. Cline?

- a) doctor
- b) police officer
- c) movie producer
- d) magician

Chapter 20 – Farewell Mr. Popper

It was a hard decision to make and the Poppers talked about it all evening. In the morning Mr. Popper went to the two men and gave them their decision.

Mr. Popper thanked Mr. Clive for the movie offer but he had decided to send the penguins to the North Pole with Admiral Drake. Mr. Popper wanted to do what was best for the penguins since they had done so much for him. Also with the weather warming up Mr. Popper was worried about the penguins. Before leaving for the North Pole Mr. Popper also agreed to let Mr. Clive make a short movie about the penguins before leaving New York. He would pay them \$25,000 dollars.

Over the next few days Mr. Popper helped load the supplies for the penguins onto the ship. When it was time to go he went below deck and said goodbye to the penguins and then said goodbye to Admiral Drake. As he did this Admiral Drake told him he didn't have to say good bye he could come with them. Mr. Popper was so excited and asked Mrs. Popper if he could go.

She told him to enjoy the North Pole and she would be waiting for his safe return. Mr. Popper went back on the boat and waved good bye.



Chapter 20 Review Questions

1. Who did Mr. Popper decide to send the penguins with?

- a) Admiral Drake
- b) Mr. Cline
- c) Mr. Greenbaum
- d) no where

2. How much money did Mr. Cline pay him?

3. Who did Admiral Drake invite to go with them to the North Pole?

- a) Mr. Popper
- b) Mrs. Popper
- c) Janie
- d) Bill

4. Would you like to go to the North Pole?
