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Year of the Rooster Exhibitions



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Which came first, the chicken or the egg?

If the chicken came first, then didn't it hatch from an egg? And if the egg came first, wasn't it laid by a chicken? It's one of those questions that were unanswerable.

Scientists agree on where chickens came from. In a sense, human beings "invented" them, just like they invented cows and pigs and other domesticated animals on Old McDonald's farm.

Every chicken that ever lived can trace its ancestors to a particular subspecies of red jungle fowl in Thailand.

The male looks a bit like a stork-like rooster. But the jungle fowl isn't identical to a farm chicken. Unlike chickens, jungle fowl jungle fowl have no comb. Another jungle fowl peculiarity: After mating season, males replace their bright red and orange tail with a ring of dull, black feathers called "winged plumage."

Scientists think the first domestic chickens were bred from those fowl more than 8,000 years ago in the region now divided into Thailand and Vietnam. People found chickens first for cockfighting contests, later for eggs and meat.

The first official "chicken" picked its way out of an egg laid by a bird that was not quite a chicken. Depending on how you look at it, the egg or the wild chicken "came first."

And where did birds come from? Scientists think that a group of egg-laying "reptilian" dinosaurs were probably the ancestors of egg-laying "birdlike" dinosaurs. And if it weren't for dinosaurs, there wouldn't be any jungle fowl or chickens.

We've solved the riddle of where chickens came from. But there's still the question of where eggs came from.

Scientists are still hardily miniature incubators of life, however, already packed inside—over 100 million more than 1 billion years ago—in the corners of Earth. When laid inside, they were about 200 million years ago, their eggs laid a rough covering to retain moisture on dry land. Egg legends, such as ammonites, reptiles, and insects, hatched. The first "land eggs" produced chickens by about 250 million years ago.

So the "egg" may be one answer to the old riddle, but here's another: If a bird-lizard the chicken came after the bird, the bird came after the dinosaur. The dinosaur came after the egg. And the same thing after the first single-celled bacteria, the prokaryotes, evolved in the oceans. It's still a million years ago.

Life Cycle of a Chicken

Egg Inside Hen
An egg grows inside the hen.

Adult Chickens
The chick grows into an adult chicken. Male chickens are called roosters, female chickens are called hens.

Hen Lays Egg
The hen lays her egg in a nest.

Baby Chick
The chick becomes dry and fluffy.

Roosting Hen
The hen sits on her eggs to keep them warm.

Chick Hatches
A week, wet chick breaks out of the egg.

All About Chicken

Scientific Name: *Gallus Gallus Domesticus*

Classification
What kind of animal are they? Chickens are birds. Their babies hatch from eggs.

Habitat
What kind of environment do they live in? Most chickens live on farms, in cages or coops. Chickens like to be outside during

Location
Where do they live in the world? Most chickens live on farms around the world.

Physical Description
What do they look like? There are hundreds of breeds of chickens, and they all look different. Chickens "roosters" can be white, red, black, brown, or yellow. They have small heads, pointed beaks, and red combs on their heads, and two red wattles on their necks. Chickens have large chests and powerful legs. Most hens, or female chickens, are smaller and less colorful than roosters, or male chickens. Baby chickens, called chicks, are usually yellow and fluffy.

Behavior
How do they act in the wild? Most chickens are domesticated, meaning that they live under human care. Many live on farms. They like to be in flocks with other chickens. They communicate with each other with sounds. Most chicks to each other, chicks change to each other, and roosters crow to each other. Most chicks have a pecking order in their flock. They peck at the neck of other chickens during feeding time. When chickens are they also scratch at the ground with their feet. Hens lay two of eggs—about 300 a year. Chicks are born from eggs fertilized by a rooster.

Population
How many are there in the world? There are more than 23 billion chickens in the world. That's more than any other type of bird!

Diet
What do they eat? Chickens are omnivores. Chickens are omnivores. Chickens eat food, corn, seeds, and grains. But chickens also eat worms, insects, fruit, and vegetables.

Life span
How long do they live in the wild? Chickens can live 5 to 15 years, depending upon the species.

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