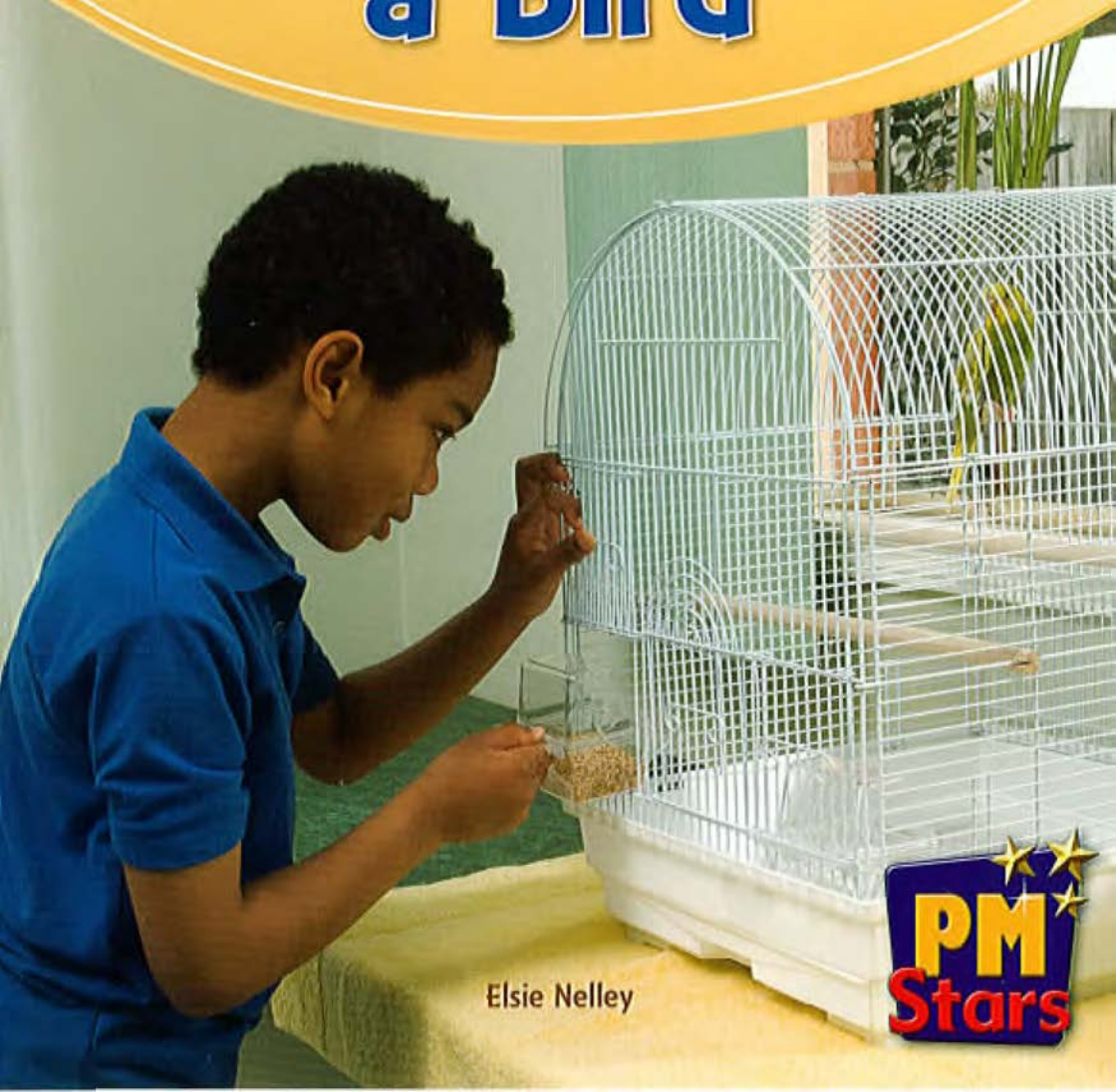
Looking After a Bird



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Levels 14/15

Running Words **170**

Curriculum Area **Humanities**

Text Type **Procedure**

Focus **Family/Science**

Key High-frequency Words

ask, every, need, pull, push, things

Key Teaching Points

- Reinforce the key features of non-fiction texts.
- Explain that Kris's mum is also in the book. Discuss reasons for this.
- Talk about the purpose of the hygiene vignette.

Key Questions

- Why is Kris careful when the cage door is open? *(Inferential)*
- Why does Kris give only little bits of apple to the bird? *(Inferential)*

Word Study

- Discuss the sounds: *ack, age, ay, ing, old*. Find words in the book with these sounds.
- Identify words with the digraph *sh* in a final position: *wash, push, dish*.

Links with Other PM Stars Books

PM Stars Families	*A Dinosaur Mural*	Levels 14/15
PM Stars Families	*Running Races*	Levels 14/15
PM Stars Families	*A Photo Slide Show*	Levels 14/15

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Goal

To look after a pet bird.

Materials

Every Day

You will need:



- clean paper



- birdseed
- cold water
- little bits of apple.



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Every Week

You will need these things, too:

- a small box



- warm water in a big bowl



- an old, clean towel.



Wash your hands **before** and **after** you feed the bird and clean the cage.



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Steps

Every Day

1. Open the cage door. Do not let the bird fly out.



2. Take out any food the bird has not eaten.

3. Close the cage door.

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4. Pull out the **plastic tray**.

5. Put clean paper on the tray and push it back into the cage.



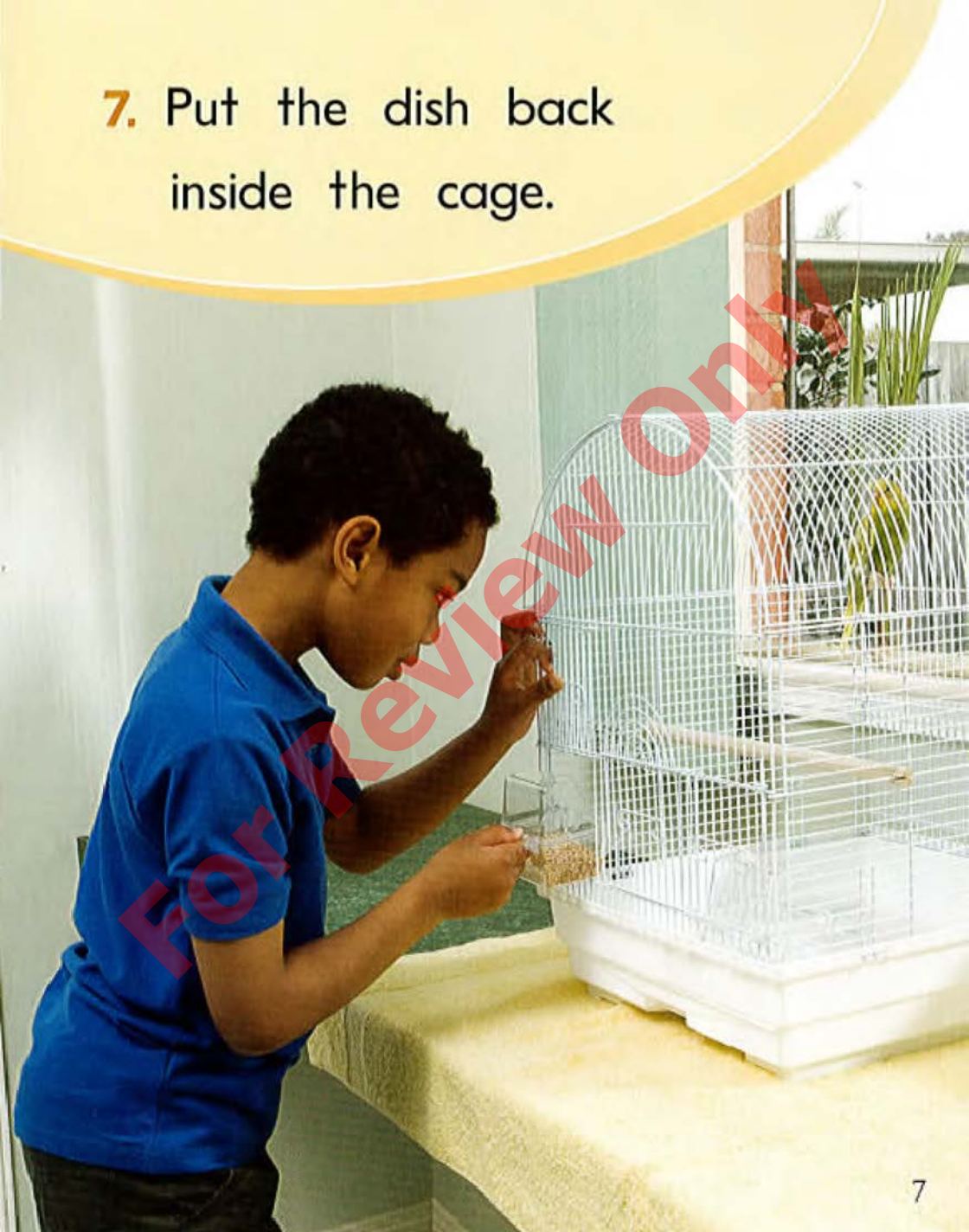
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6. Take out the **food dish** and fill it with new seeds.



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7. Put the dish back inside the cage.



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