



## Brain teasers

### Questions

1. If Alex's son is my son's father, what am I to Alex?
  - a. HIS GRANDFATHER
  - b. I AM ALEX
  - c. HIS GRANDSON
  - d. HIS SON
  - e. HIS FATHER
2. Ornithologists now agree that there is a very good reason why birds' eggs are generally narrower at one end than the other. What is the reason?
3. I am practically weightless but even the strongest person in the world cannot hold me for more than a few minutes.
4. There were ten of Susie's friends that were chipping in to buy her a wedding gift. Two dropped out and the other eight had to chip in one dollar extra to make up for them. How much money did they plan to spend on the gift?
5. My posterior is adorned with feathers. I have a rather long neck and quite a pointy nose. I am able to fly, yet I have no wings. What am I?

## Answers

1. d. I am Alex's son.

2. A spherical or oval egg would roll in a straight line. However, an asymmetrical egg, which is narrower at one end than the other, will tend to roll in a circle. If the eggs are on a cliff edge or other precarious place, the tendency to roll around rather than straight is a distinct advantage.

3. Your breath.

4. \$40 (10 people giving \$4; or 8 people giving \$5)

5. An arrow