## Waltur Buys a Pig in a Poke

After each question, underline the sentence that answers why.

- 1. Long ago, farmers sold their animals at markets and fairs. Some dishonest farmers said they had a baby pig in a bag. But the bag did not have a pig inside.
- Why did a dishonest farmer not put a pig inside the bag?

  He wanted to keep the pig but also get money for selling it.

  He was afraid the buyer wouldn't like the pig.
- 2. A dishonest farmer couldn't give the buyer an empty bag. So he put a different animal inside the bag and said it was a pig.
- Why couldn't a dishonest farmer give the buyer an empty bag?

  The dishonest farmer didn't have enough bags.

  The buyer would know that there was nothing in the bag.
- 3. A dishonest farmer usually put a cat inside the bag.
- Why did the dishonest farmer choose a cat?

Cats would pretend that they were pigs.

Cats cost a lot less money than pigs cost.

4. Some buyers opened the bags before they paid their money.

## Why did some buyers open the bags?

They wanted to see what they were paying for.

They didn't like cats.