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## Go Green Aesop's Fable

Use the words in the "Clues" box below to fill in the blanks in this fable.

One day a countryman going to the nest of his goose found there an \_\_\_\_\_ all yellow and glittering. When he took it up it was as heavy as \_\_\_\_\_ and he was going to throw it away, because he thought a \_\_\_\_\_ had been played upon him. But he took it home on second thoughts, and soon found to his delight that it was an egg of pure \_\_\_\_\_. Every morning the same thing occurred, and he soon became \_\_\_\_\_ by selling his eggs. As he grew rich he grew greedy; and thinking to get at once all the gold the goose could give, he killed it and opened it only to find \_\_\_\_\_.

**Clues:** rich egg gold nothing trick lead

Aesop's fables always have a moral. What is the moral of this story?

Moral: \_\_\_\_\_

Discuss this story and its moral in terms of sustainability of our natural resources:

*"One of the most often cited definitions of sustainability is the one created by the Brundtland Commission, led by the former Norwegian Prime Minister Gro Harlem Brundtland. The Brundtland Commission defined sustainable development as **development that "meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs."***

[Source: Wikipedia.org]

## SOLUTION

One day a countryman going to the nest of his goose found there an [\_\_egg\_\_] all yellow and glittering. When he took it up it was as heavy as [\_\_lead\_\_] and he was going to throw it away, because he thought a [\_\_trick\_\_] had been played upon him. But he took it home on second thoughts, and soon found to his delight that it was an egg of pure [\_\_gold\_\_]. Every morning the same thing occurred, and he soon became [\_\_rich\_\_] by selling his eggs. As he grew rich he grew greedy; and thinking to get at once all the gold the goose could give, he killed it and opened it only to find [\_\_nothing\_\_].