Turkey Trouble: Original Discussion Prompts and Activity Sheet

Print on US Letter paper at actual size.

A paper turkey named Pip needed a disguise for the classroom wall. Pip tried drawing tiny stars on every feather. "Those are pretty," said the paper owl, "but I still see a turkey." Pip looked at the shapes around the room. A flower had large petals and one round center. Pip cut broad paper petals and placed them around the face. Then Pip added a green stem beneath the body. The owl looked again. "Now I see a flower with a very funny smile." Pip wrote a caption explaining the change. Tiny decorations had not changed the outline, but the big petals had. Pip kept one star on a petal as a reminder of the first idea.

1. What problem did Pip need to solve?

2. Why did the first attempt not work clearly?

3. What two large features made the flower disguise?

4. Why did Pip keep one star?

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Sample responses; accept other answers supported by the passage.

1. Pip needed a disguise for the classroom wall.

2. The tiny stars did not change the turkey's outline.

3. Broad petals and a green stem.

4. As a reminder of the first idea.