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## “Phoenix” Quiz

**Directions:** Read the poem “Phoenix” on page 3 of the October 2008 issue of *Storyworks*. Then fill in the circle next to the best answer for each question.

**1. What is this poem based on?**

- (A) an extinct animal
- (B) a myth
- (C) a constellation
- (D) a Harry Potter book

**2. What does the phoenix do after she burns up?**

- (A) She is reborn.
- (B) She disappears forever.
- (C) She brushes her ashes out of her nest.
- (D) She causes other birds to catch on fire.

**3. What is a drake, in the line, “Now a crane, now a drake”?**

- (A) a small reptile
- (B) a kind of lizard
- (C) a bird similar to a sparrow
- (D) a male duck

**4. You can infer that the author \_\_\_\_\_ the phoenix.**

- (A) despises
- (B) admires
- (C) ignores
- (D) envies

## Critical Thinking

**Directions:** On a separate piece of paper, write your answers in well-organized paragraphs. Make sure you support each answer with information and details from the poem!

**5. Besides being reborn, what is one of the phoenix’s special qualities?**

**6. What is one reason the poet might have written this poem?**