HUNTING WITH FALCONS

A Falconer worked and lived at the castle. He trained hawks, falcons and other birds of prey to hunt for small animals. The birds were kept in a wooden shed called a mews.

Count by 3’s to fill in the missing numbers in the Decoder. Then use the Decoder to find the names of things a falconer used to train birds.

1. This kept a bird from flying away.
   36 15 3 57 24

2. This kept a bird calm.
   24 45 45 12

3. These helped a lost bird find its way back.
   6 15 36 36 57

4. This held food treats for the bird.
   48 63 54 57 15

Decoder

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PARENT TIP

A noble’s rank determined the type of bird he or she hunted with. Kings and Queens used gyrfalcons, Lords used peregrine falcons and noblewomen used hawks.