

SHOW, DON'T TELL



Telling				
The chicks were	The water was	The quail drank	The chick's foot is	The chicks ran
thirsty.	good.	water.	wet.	away.
Showing				
The chicks threw	The cold water	Momma quail	The tiniest chick	The chicks scurried
back their heads so	slipped down the	dipped her beak in	stood in the clay	back to their nest,
the cool water	chicks' throats and	the water, and it	pot to drink the	their tiny topknots
trickled down their	filled their tummies.	dribbled down her	cool water.	flapping in the
dry throats.		neck.		breeze.
Your Turn				

Write a story about Momma quail and her chicks drinking water from the pot of water. Your story should have a beginning, a middle, and an end. Use descriptive words and . . .

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