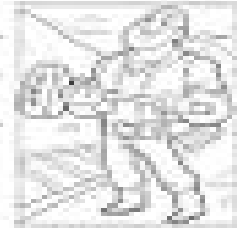


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## John Henry

Why do birds fly south? Because it is too far to walk.



He was born with a \_\_\_\_\_ in his hand. That's what the tale \_\_\_\_\_ tell us about John Henry. He was a famous \_\_\_\_\_. His parents knew that he was special when he was \_\_\_\_\_. As a boy, he loved to use his dad's hammer. Most people hammer

\_\_\_\_\_ into wood. John \_\_\_\_\_ hammered spikes into rock. That was his job. He was the best at his job.

He worked for the \_\_\_\_\_. His job was to dig tunnels through mountains. One day there was a contest. The \_\_\_\_\_ was to see who could dig faster, man or machine. John Henry raced the \_\_\_\_\_ and won. In the \_\_\_\_\_ tale, \_\_\_\_\_ Henry died after winning the contest. He is said to have died with a hammer in his

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born	machine	tall
Henry	John	American
hammer	railroad	tale
hand	contest	ride

Write a sentence about John Henry and illustrate on the back of this paper