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READING

Answer each question.

There were once five-and-twenty tin soldiers, who were all brothers, for they had been made out of the same old tin spoon. They shouldered arms and looked straight before them, and wore a splendid uniform, red and blue. The first thing they ever heard was the words, "Tin soldiers!" uttered by a little boy, when the lid of the box was taken off. They were given him for a birthday present, and he stood at the table to set them up. The soldiers were all exactly alike, excepting one, who had only one leg; he had been left to the last, but they made him to stand firmly on one leg, and this caused him to be very remarkable. When the children came in the next morning, they placed the tin soldier in the window. But the window flew open, and out fell the tin soldier, it was a terrible fall. It began to rain, till there was a heavy shower. When it was over, two boys happened to pass by, and one of them said, "Look, there is a tin soldier. So they made a boat out of a newspaper, and placed the tin soldier in it, and sent him sailing down.

Where was the tin soldier?

What did the children do the next morning?

Who did utter the words "Tin soldiers"?

How had the tin soldiers been made out?

Why the one tin soldier was different from the rest of them?