Two Truths and One Lie- Chicken Production

1. Fun Facts about layers
   1. It takes 26 hours for a chicken egg to fully form.
   2. A hen will start laying eggs around 6 months of age
   3. Chicken egg production will increase each year. -**Lie**- chicken egg production decreases each year
2. Light requirements
   1. Chickens produce more eggs the longer the days are.
   2. Chickens require 7 hours of daylight to produce an egg. -**Lie**- requires 14 hours
   3. Chicken farmers install lights in barns to lengthen the amount of daylight hours each day for the chicken to produce more eggs.
3. Space requirements
   * + 1. Chickens need open space, perches, and nesting boxes.
       2. Every hen needs 1.5 ft.2 in the hen house
       3. If chickens are allowed to go outside and roam there are no specifics about required space. **Lie** 2 ft.2 per hen
4. Egg Parts
   1. The inner/ outer membrane keeps bacterial out of the egg.
   2. Chalazae is the source of food for the growing chick inside the egg. -**Lie**- the Yolk is the source of food.
   3. Sperm enters the germinal disk to fertilize the egg.
5. Fertlized Egg
   1. A hen must mate before every time she lays a fertilized egg. -**Lie**- it is possible that she lay fertilized eggs for a week, even if she mated once.
   2. It takes 21 days for an egg to hatch.
   3. If you refrigerate a fertilized egg, the embryo will not develop.