

Little Guys Quiz

This quiz is packed with fun and interesting tidbits about Cindy Pacileo's first 45 years of making Little Guys.

1. Little Guys are made by Cindy Pacileo. How do you pronounce Pacileo?
 - ☐ It's easy if you remember there's a "silly" in the middle.
It means peaceful lion in Italian.
 - ☐ Skip the last name and just call her Cindy.
2. How little is Little Guys?
 - ☐ Cindy and 10 full-time workers
 - ☐ Cindy works alone
 - ☐ Cindy, her husband Joe and a talkative orange cat, along with two talented and fun-loving friends, enjoying creative confusion in a dusty studio on nine acres of mountain pastureland. (This is the right answer today, but tomorrow ... ?)
3. How are Little Guys made?
 - ☐ Each little animal pops out of a mold, then a few details are added by hand.
 - ☐ First, the wind and rain wear away the mountain rock, allowing the streams to pick up the dust and deposit it along the banks as clay. (Now this is more like it.)
Then Cindy, who sometimes feels as old as clay, rolls and pinches little balls of the stuff into whatever shape is needed. Cindy then draws in every face and gives each Little Guy its unique character.
Tracey, Theresa and Cindy apply the colorful glazes by hand-painting or dipping. (They paint as many as 800 little eyes each week.)
4. Cindy twiddles together how many pieces of clay to make a Unicorn?
 - ☐ 3 ☐ 6 ☐ 13 (Who else would spend so much energy on one non-existent animal?)
5. How many steps, on average, does it take to glaze a Little Guy?
 - ☐ 2 ☐ 4 ☐ 7

Answer: It takes seven steps to glaze a Bluebird, which is a pretty typical Little Guy.

 1. Using a tiny brush, place a drop of black glaze into each eye.
 2. Carefully wipe excess glaze off the face with a damp sponge.
 3. Protect the eyes and bottom with a layer of wax.
 4. Dip in blue glaze.
 5. Sponge stray dots of blue from all of the waxed areas.
 6. Paint 2 coats of bright orange glaze on the belly and 1 coat on the beak.
 7. Wipe the bottom so it doesn't stick to the kiln shelf.

Then the Bluebirds are fired to 2100° in a ceramic kiln to fuse the glaze and clay together.
6. How many bottoms do Tracey and Cindy wipe every day?
 - ☐ 20 or so ☐ About 100

You guessed it! It's 100!
7. Which of our best-selling animals has been created in 24 different body styles and 48 different color combinations?
 - ☐ Cat ☐ Cat ☐ Cat ☐ Cat ☐ Cat ☐ Cat ☐ Cat ☐ Cat

☐ Bird ☐ Pig ☐ Dog

☐ How many tadpoles are in a pond? ☐ How many stars are in the sky?

10. What fun birds or animals should Cindy try next?

☐ 200 ☐ 500 ☐ Well over a ton (Documented by a study done in Cindy's daughter's 5th grade class.)

☐ Hummingbirds and Cardinals
☐ Elephants and Giraffes
☐ Tuxedo Cats and Love Kitties

☐ Beagles and Labs
☐ Christmas Ornaments
☐ All of the above (Check here)

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☐ We take turns. ☐ Cindy ☐ The cat The answer is Cindy, and she wants to know how the cat talked his way in.

- ☐ She sneaks around to hen houses in the night.
- ☐ All her friends and neighbors save them for her. (Thank goodness!)

- ☐ To be near the egg carton supply
- ☐ Because it's soooo beautiful
- ☐ Because there are wild birds and animals everywhere

And let me know your answers to #10, please.

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