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Solve each problem.

Use the article to answer the question.

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B. They are shy at first, but can become comfortable with time

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