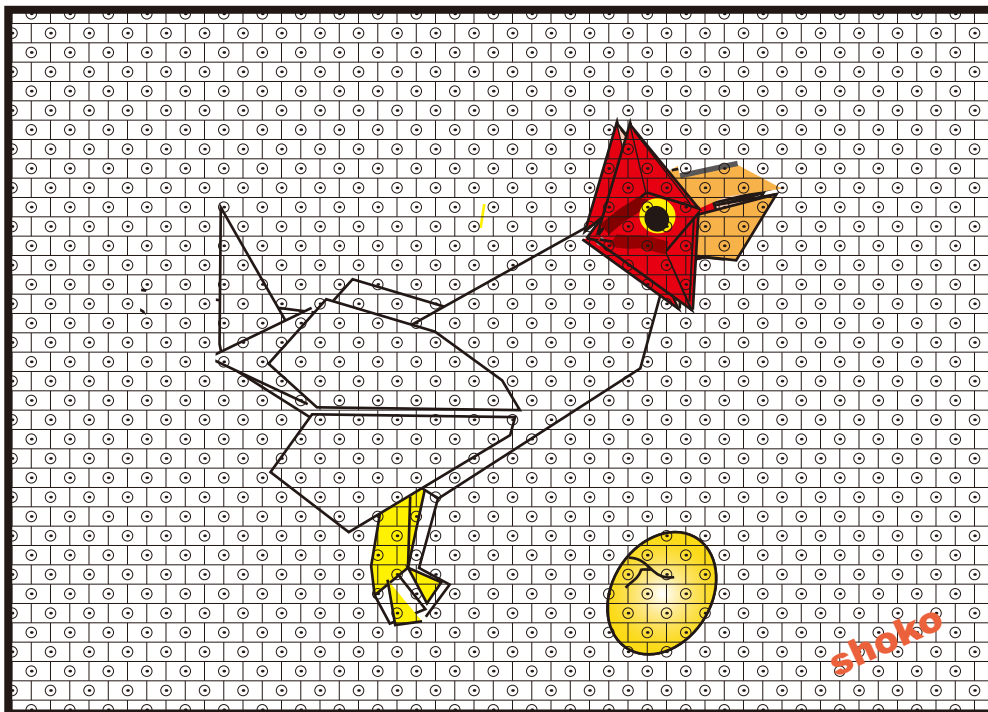


The hen should start pecking at the egg only when the chick is starting to peck its way out. Timing is everything.

Chinese saying



When a chick is ready to hatch, it attempts to break its egg shell from the inside.

At the same time, the mother hen pecks on the shell from the outside to help the chick escape.

The egg shell is too strong for the chick to break it alone so the mother has to help her chick get out of the egg.

This shows why collaborating with each other is important.