

Peacock Power

Picture a peacock strutting through the forest, his head held high as his tail feathers fan out behind him. Adult males are famous for these magnificent trains—each one has about 200 feathers!

‘Abdu’l-Bahá shared a joke about peacocks with friends in ‘Akká, Israel, in 1908. Over lunch, he asked if they were happy. They said they were very glad to be with him, but they were unhappy about their own faults. “Think not of yourselves,” ‘Abdu’l-Bahá

said, “but think of the Bounty of God. This will always make you happy.” With a smile, he said that peacocks are content because they focus on their gorgeous feathers instead of their ugly feet.*

Our wings might droop when we think about personal and global problems like prejudice and climate change. But when we focus on the greatness of God instead of our shortcomings, we can soar to greater heights of peace and justice.

Find nine letters hidden among the peacocks, and use them to complete the quote.



ONLY MALES ARE CALLED PEACOCKS.

FEMALES ARE PEAHENS, AND BABIES ARE PEACHICKS.

Letters found: ○

“○ oy ○ ve ○ u ○ w n ○ ! ○ n t me ○ of ○ oy... we
○ eem ○ ette ○ a le to co e w th the wo l ○ an ○ to
○ n ○ ou ○ he e o u e ulne ○ .” —‘Abdu’l-Bahá