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a) As the hen breathes more heavily, it exhales more carbon dioxide. This means that less CO₂ remains in its blood. This produces less carbonic acid, and as the carbonic acid (H₂CO₃)concentration decreases, less carbonate is produced for the egg shells.

Hens are warm-blooded so temperature is not likely to be a factor. However, if there is an increase in body temperature that would also lower the concentration of carbon dioxide because less gas dissolves in warmer solutions(think of beer or soda).

b) Feed them HCO_3^- which will discourage reverse reaction : $H_2CO_3 = 2 H^+ + CO_3^{2-}$ by consuming and lowering H^+ and increasing CO_3^{2-} concentration.

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