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Збірник англomовних віршованих творів для дітей дошкільного віку. В ньому представлено тексти екшен-віршів, загадок, рахівничок та скоромовок.

Вихователі дитячих садків, вчителі дошкільних гуртків, а також батьки зможуть ефективно використовувати під час занять в ігровій формі літературно-ілюстративний матеріал, який надає дитині уявлення про навколишній світ.

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Навколишній світ для кожної дитини розгортається насамперед крізь його індивідуальне сприйняття. Велику роль у процесі дитячого пізнання відіграє саме поезія. Влучне слово має глибокий вплив на формування естетичних і моральних поглядів дитини, а це важливий емоційно-ціннісний компонент становлення інфантичної картини світу.

У цій збірці дібрано ті твори, які презентовані дитині дошкільного віку і належать до розважально-ігрового фольклору. Такі тексти будемо називати інфантичними віршованими текстами, оскільки вони є текстами ігрового гатунку, призначеними для дітей дошкільного віку. Найпоширенішими серед них є екшен-вірші, загадки, рахівнички і скоромовки, які й стали об'єктом нашої уваги.

\* Екшен-вірші – це пісні, що виконуються як акомпанемент до гри або певних рухів, тому в них часто центр уваги приділяється не лише тексту, а й ритмічному виконанню дій. Особливо відчутно це у віршах, які втрачають сюжетність та образність, які характерні народній пісенній поезії. Деякі з екшен-віршів описують дії, які повинні виконувати учасники гри. Вони наближуються до хороводних пісень та драматизуються. Текст інфантичного екшен-вірша визначає розвиток гри. Екшен-вірші невід'ємні у пізнанні світу дитиною, оскільки у віці 3-4 років слід опанувати монологічне мовлення, описувати події та явища розгорнуто, то така форма викладення, як вірш, котрий супроводжується рухами, є найвлучнішою. Завдяки цьому розширюється уявлення про оточуючий світ у тривимірному форматі: поняття – слово – дія. Тож, диференційною особливістю цього жанру є те, що створення художнього образу відбувається не лише у поєднанні слова та наспіву, але й шляхом додавання третього елементу – дії, яку описують у пісні (екшен-вірші).

\* Загадки – це побудовані у вигляді іносказання невеликі фольклорні твори, які складаються з хитромудрого питання, на яке треба дати відповідь. Продуктивному розгадуванню загадок сприяє розуміння їх лексичної та семантичної структури. Загадки готують дітей до освоєння системи знань, сприяють розвитку образного бачення. Будучи універсальною системою,

загадки в той же час несуть у собі великий національний заряд, без осмислення якого неможливе сприйняття здобутків інших культур. У інфантичних загадках відобразився життєвий досвід людини, її трудова діяльність, що є наскрізною темою цих фольклорних жанрів.

\* Рахівнички – тексти, що допомагають проведенню гри та врегульовують її перебіг. Цей жанр виник багато років тому задля задоволення потреб у розподілі брудної та небезпечної праці. Рахівнички допомагали відчутти рівноправність і підкоритися вибору рахування, що дозволяв розділити навантаження серед працівників. З давніх давен такий вид усної народної творчості виконував функцію розподілу ролей у роботі. Нині його використовують діти у грі, щоб визначити керуючого та / чи обрати гравців для командних ігор. Рахівничка – це не лише веселий і розважальний жанр усної народної творчості, а й матеріал для розвитку естетичних, виховних, психологічних, розумових здібностей, насичений великою кількістю різноманітних властивостей лексичного складу, вона є пізнавальною та сповненою певними побутовими фактами. Диференційними ознаками рахівничок є наявність рахунку у віршованій формі, звуконаслідування, наявність креативних лексем, що є незрозумілими й не мають змістового навантаження.

\* Скоромовка – це фраза, яка побудована на поєднанні звуків, що ускладнюють швидко вимову слів та була утворена для втіхи дітей. Використовуючи скоромовки, можна досягти великого успіху у виправленні невірної вимови звуків, складів чи наголосу та ін. У скоромовці існують складнощі у вимові як голосних звуків, так і приголосних, адже, різні буквосполучення можуть мати однаковий звук чи подібний.

# ACTION SONGS



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A farmer went trotting  
 Upon his grey mare,  
 Bumpety, bumpety, bump!  
 With his daughter behind him  
 So rosy and fair,  
 Lumpety, lumpety, lump!  
 A raven cried "Croak"  
 And they all tumbled DOWN,  
 Bumpety, bumpety, bump!  
 The mare broke her knees,  
 And the farmer his crown,  
 Lumpety, lumpety, lump!  
 The mischievous raven  
 Flew laughing away  
 Bumpety, bumpety, bump!  
 And he vowed he would serve them  
 The same the next day,  
 Lumpety, lumpety, lump!

\*\*\*

Oh, Helen had a steamboat  
 The steamboat had a bell  
 When Helen went to heaven  
 The steamboat went to \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hello, operator,  
 Just give me number 9  
 If the line is busy  
 I'll kick your big \_\_\_\_\_  
 Behind the old piano  
 There was a piece of glass  
 Helen slipped upon it  
 And hurt her little \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ask me for a muffin  
 I'll give you some old bread  
 And if you do not like it  
 Just go and soak your head.



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Goodbye! Goodbye!  
 We're very, very sorry that  
 You have to go away.  
 Goodbye! Goodbye!  
 Please come with us a-walking  
 Yet another day.



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A ring, a ring o' roses,  
 A pocket full of posies;  
 Tishoo, tishoo,  
 All stand still.  
 The King has sent his daughter,  
 To fetch a pail of water;  
 Tishoo, tishoo,  
 All fall down.  
 (Children fall to the floor)  
 The bird upon the steeple,  
 Sits high above the people;  
 Tishoo, tishoo,  
 All kneel down.  
 The wedding bells are ringing,  
 The boys and girls are singing;  
 Tishoo, tishoo,  
 All fall down.



\*\*\*

Here is baby's storybook,  
 Opening up wide.  
 Here are birdies flying high  
 That you'll find inside.  
 Here's a little windmill  
 Whirling 'round and 'round.  
 And here is baby's rattle,  
 Such a noisy sound! Chh, chh, chh!  
 Here is baby's cradle,  
 Soft and warm and white.  
 This is how the baby  
 Goes to sleep at night.  
 Here's the big round sun  
 That wakes the baby up.  
 And this is how she takes a drink  
 From her little cup.



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A sailor went to sea sea sea  
To see what he could see see see  
But all that he could see see see  
Was the bottom of the deep blue sea sea sea

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This is the way the baby goes:  
Clappity clap! Snappity snap!  
This is the way the baby goes:  
Peek-a-boo! I see you!  
This is the way the baby goes:  
Creep, creep, creep, creep.  
This is the way the baby goes:  
Sleep, sleep, sleep, sleep.



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Can you roll your hands,  
Can you roll your hands,  
As slowly, as slowly,  
As slow can be?  
Then stop and fold your arms like me,  
Then fold your arms like me.  
Can you roll your hands,  
Can you roll your hands,  
As quickly, as quickly,  
As quick can be?  
Then stop and fold your arms like me,  
Then fold your arms like me.  
Can you clap your hands,  
Can you clap your hands,  
As slowly, as slowly,  
As slow can be?  
Then stop and fold your arms like me,  
Then fold your arms like me.  
Can you clap your hands,  
Can you clap your hands,  
As quickly, as quickly,  
As quick can be?  
Then stop and fold your arms like me,  
Then fold your arms like me.



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Oh, this is the way that the farmer goes,  
 With a heigh-ho, heigh-ho,  
 Oh, this is the way that the farmer goes,  
 He ploughs and digs and harrows and sows,  
 To grow some wheat for my baby,  
 Some wheat for my baby-o!  
 Oh, this is the way that the farmer goes,  
 With a heigh-ho, heigh-ho,  
 Oh, this is the way that the farmer goes,  
 His mill wheels turn as little brook flows,  
 To grind some flour for my baby,  
 Some flour for my baby-o!  
 Oh, this is the way that the farmer goes,  
 With a heigh-ho, heigh-ho,  
 Oh, this is the way that the farmer goes,  
 He stirs and kneads and bakes it just so,  
 To make some bread for my baby,  
 Some bread for my baby-o!



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Baby's horse is Daddy's foot,  
 He rides and rides each day;  
 Sometimes his horse goes very slow,  
 For Baby, that's okay.  
 Baby's horse is Daddy's foot,  
 He rides and rides each night;  
 Sometimes the horse goes very fast,  
 Then Baby holds on tight.

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Autumn leaves are a-falling;  
 Red and yellow and brown;  
 Autumn leaves are a-falling,  
 See them fluttering down.  
 Tra, la, la, la, la, la,  
 Tra, la, la, la, la,  
 Autumn leaves are a-falling,  
 See them fluttering down.  
 Autumn leaves from the treetops  
 Flutter down to the ground,  
 When the wind blows his trumpet,  
 See them whirling around.  
 Tra, la, la, la, la, la,



Tra, la, la, la, la, la,  
 When the wind blows his trumpet,  
 See them whirling around.  
 Autumn leaves when they're tired,  
 Settle down in a heap,  
 At the foot of the old tree,  
 Soon they'll all fall asleep.  
 Tra, la, la, la, la, la,  
 Tra, la, la, la, la, la,  
 At the foot of the old tree,  
 Soon they'll all fall asleep.

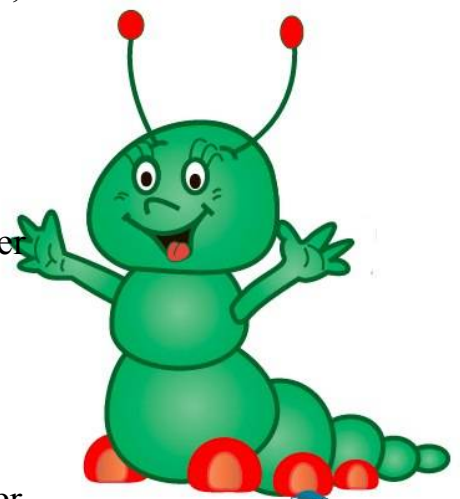
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One little cat in the corner,  
 Washing her cute little face;  
 One little cat comes to catch her;  
 Two little cats run a race!  
 Two little cats in the corner,  
 Trying to round up a mouse!  
 One cat comes in from the barnyard;  
 Three little cats in the house!  
 Three little cats on the doorstep,  
 Warming themselves in the sun;  
 One cat comes up from the cellar;  
 Four little cats having fun!  
 Four little cats by the window,  
 Watching the stars twinkle bright,  
 One cat jumps out of the basket;  
 Five little cats say goodnight!

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Little Arabella Miller  
 Had a fuzzy caterpillar  
 First it crawled up on her mother  
 Then upon her baby brother  
 They said, "Arabella Miller!  
 Put away your caterpillar!"  
 Little Arabella Miller  
 Had a fuzzy caterpillar  
 First it crawled upon her brother  
 Then upon her dear grandmother  
 Gran said, "Arabella Miller,  
 How I love your caterpillar.





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Honey, honeybee ball,  
I can't see y'all.

All hid?

"No-o-o!"

Is all hid?

"No-o-o!"

I went to the river,

I couldn't get across.

I paid five dollars for an old gray horse.

One leg broke,

The other leg cracked,

And goodness gracious how the horse did rack.

Is all hid?

"No-o-o!"

Is all hid?

"No-o-o!"

I went down the road,

The road was muddy.

Stubbed my toe

And made it bloody.

Is all hid?

"No-o-o!"

Is all hid?

"No-o-o!"

Me and my wife and a bobtail dog,

We crossed that river on a hickory log.

She fell in, and I fell off,

And left nobody but the bobtail dog.

Is all hid?

"No-o-o!"

Is all hid?

"No-o-o!"

One, two, I don't know what to do.

Three, four, I don't know where to go.

Five, six, I'm in a terrible fix.

Seven, eight, I made a mistake.

Nine, ten, My eyes open— I'm looking.





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I'm bringing home a baby bumblebee,  
 Won't my mommy be so proud of me,  
 I'm bringing home a baby bumblebee,  
 Ouch! It stung me!  
 I'm squishing up the baby bumblebee,  
 Won't my mommy be so proud of me,  
 I'm squishing up a baby bumblebee,  
 Ooh! It's yucky!  
 I'm wiping off the baby bumblebee,  
 Won't my mommy be so proud of me,  
 (Wipe hands off on shirt)  
 I'm wiping off the baby bumblebee,  
 Now my mommy won't be mad at me!

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Beanbag, beanbag  
 Play a game of beanbag!  
 Toss it first to Laura Lee,  
 Then to Jenny, then to me.  
 Beanbag, beanbag,  
 Play a game of beanbag!  
 There was a farmer had a dog,  
 And Bingo was his name-o.  
 B-I-N-G-O!  
 B-I-N-G-O!  
 B-I-N-G-O!  
 And Bingo was his name-o!  
 There was a farmer had a dog,  
 And Bingo was his name-o.  
 (Clap)-I-N-G-O!  
 (Clap)-I-N-G-O!  
 (Clap)-I-N-G-O!  
 And Bingo was his name-o!  
 There was a farmer had a dog,  
 And Bingo was his name-o.  
 (Clap, clap)-N-G-O!  
 (Clap, clap)-N-G-O!  
 (Clap, clap)-N-G-O!  
 And Bingo was his name-o!  
 There was a farmer had a dog,  
 And Bingo was his name-o.  
 (Clap, clap, clap)-G-O!  
 (Clap, clap, clap)-G-O!



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(Clap, clap, clap)-G-O!  
 And Bingo was his name-o!  
 There was a farmer had a dog,  
 And Bingo was his name-o.  
 (Clap, clap, clap, clap)-O!  
 (Clap, clap, clap, clap)-O!  
 (Clap, clap, clap, clap)-O!  
 And Bingo was his name-o!  
 There was a farmer had a dog,  
 And Bingo was his name-o.  
 And Bingo was his name-o!



\*\*\*

Little ones at play  
 Went out one summer's day,  
 They went out a-walking  
 Just for fun-fun-fun.  
 But when they stopped to rest,  
 The first were served the best.  
 They found them seats a-plenty

\*\*\*

Can you dance Hulla-Baloney?  
 Can you dance Hulla-Baloney?  
 Can you dance Hulla-Baloney?  
 As we go round about?  
 Put both your hands on your shoulders,  
 Put both your hands on your shoulders,  
 Put both your hands on your shoulders,  
 And turn yourself about.  
 Here we go Hulla-Baloney!  
 Here we go Hulla-Baloney!  
 Here we go Hulla-Baloney!  
 As we go round about.  
 Put both your hands in your pockets,  
 Put both your hands in your pockets,  
 Put both your hands in your pockets,  
 And tiptoe round about.  
 Here we go Hulla-Baloney!  
 Here we go Hulla-Baloney!  
 Here we go Hulla-Baloney!  
 As we go round about.  
 Raise your arms high in the air now,  
 Raise your arms high in the air now,





Raise your arms high in the air now,  
 And turn yourself about.  
 Can you dance Hulla-Baloney?  
 Can you dance Hulla-Baloney?  
 Can you dance Hulla-Baloney?  
 As we go round about?

\*\*\*

Went down to the alligator farm,  
 Sat on the fence but the fence broke down,  
 The alligator bit me by the seat of my pants,  
 and he made me do the hoo-chee-coo-chee  
 dance.

\*\*\*

Clap, clap, partner  
 Clap, clap, neighbour  
 Stamp, stamp,  
 (Stamp feet)

Turn yourself about  
 Dancing so merrily,  
 So merrily together,  
 Dancing so merrily,  
 So merrily, heigh ho.



\*\*\*

Can you be a sunbeam,  
 A sunbeam, a sunbeam?  
 Can you be a sunbeam?  
 Then show me what you'd do.  
 I can be a sunbeam,  
 A sunbeam, a sunbeam,  
 I can be a sunbeam,  
 And I'll shine down on you!  
 Can you be a raindrop,  
 A raindrop, a raindrop?  
 Can you be a raindrop?  
 Then show me what you'd do.  
 I can be a raindrop,  
 A raindrop, a raindrop.  
 I can be a raindrop,  
 So here's some rain for you!  
 Can you be a flower,  
 A flower, a flower?

Can you be a flower?  
Then show me what you'd do.  
I can be a flower,  
A flower, a flower.  
I can be a flower,  
Growing just for you!  
Can you be a buzzing bee,  
A buzzing bee, a buzzing bee?  
Can you be a buzzing bee?  
Then show me what you'd do.  
I can be a buzzing bee,  
A buzzing bee, a buzzing bee.  
I can be a buzzing bee,  
With honey sweet for you!



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A-tisket a-tasket,  
A green and yellow basket.  
I wrote a letter to my love,  
And on the way I dropped it.  
I dropped it, I dropped it,  
And on the way I dropped it.  
A little boy  
(girl) picked it up,  
And put it in his (her) pocket.

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" Deep the cellar, timbers high,  
Pointed roof up in the sky,  
Drive the nails in straight and true,  
Build a house for me and you.  
Windows, shining eyes to see,  
Doors open wide to welcome me,  
Fire glowing, oh, so bright,  
That is HOME on winter's night.

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One time we went a-fishing,  
Fishing, fishing,  
One time we went a-fishing  
On a summer day.  
And Becky caught a minnow,  
Justin caught a frog!  
Megan dragged a crab out



From underneath a log.  
The fish I caught was THAT big!  
THAT big! THAT big!  
The fish I caught was THAT big!  
But he got away!

\*\*\*

Let everyone clap hands like me.  
Let everyone clap hands like me.  
Come on and join in to the game,  
You'll find that it's always the same.  
Let everyone sneeze like me.  
Let everyone sneeze like me.  
Come on and join in to the game,  
You'll find that it's always the same.  
Let everyone yawn like me.  
Let everyone yawn like me.  
Come on and join in to the game,  
You'll find that it's always the same.  
Let everyone jump like me.  
Let everyone jump like me.  
Come on and join in to the game,  
You'll find that it's always the same.  
Let everyone sit down like me.  
Let everyone sit down like me.  
Come on and join in to the game,  
You'll find that it's always the same.  
Let everyone laugh like me.  
Let everyone laugh like me.  
Come on and join in to the game,  
You'll find that it's always the same.

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Farmer, farmer, driving cattle,  
Listen to his money rattle!  
One-a, two-a, three-a dollah,  
Out goes he, now hear him hollah!

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Kitty white so slyly comes  
To catch the mousie gray,  
But mousie hears the kitty come,  
And quickly runs away!  
Run, run, you dear little mouse,





Run quickly 'round the house,  
For kittycat is catching up,  
And she might eat you for her sup!

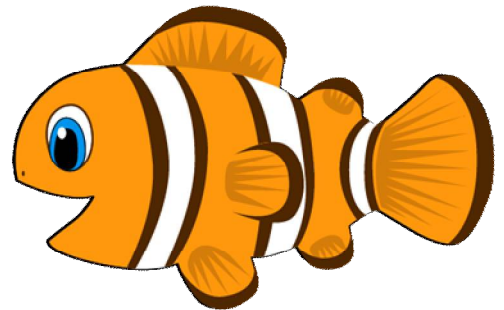


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Five little fishies, swimming in a pool  
The first one said, "The pool is cool."  
The second one said, "The pool is deep."  
The third one said, "I want to sleep."  
The fourth one said, "Let's take a dip."  
The fifth one said, "I spy a ship."  
Fisher boat comes,  
Line goes kersplash  
Away the five little fishies dash

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We all stand here  
In this big ring  
And as we stand  
We loudly sing,  
Clap your hands now,  
One, two, three!  
The one I touch must  
Try to catch me!  
Clap, clap, clap your hands  
Clap along with me  
Clap, clap, clap your hands  
Clap along with me  
Clap a little faster now  
Clap along with me  
Clap a little faster now  
Clap along with me  
Clap, clap, clap your hands  
Clap along with me  
Clap, clap, clap your hands  
Clap along with me  
Clap a little slower now  
Clap along with me  
Clap a little slower now  
Clap along with me





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Eensy weensy spider  
 Went up the water spout  
 Down came the rain  
 And washed the spider out  
 Out came the sun and dried up all the rain  
 Now the eensy weensy spider  
 Went up the spout again.



\*\*\*

Father Abraham had many sons  
 Many sons had Father Abraham  
 I am one of them and so are you  
 So let's all praise the Lord.

Right arm!

Father Abraham had many sons  
 Many sons had Father Abraham  
 I am one of them and so are you  
 So let's all praise the Lord.

Right arm, left arm!

Father Abraham had many sons  
 Many sons had Father Abraham  
 I am one of them and so are you  
 So let's all praise the Lord.

Right arm, left arm, right foot!

Father Abraham had many sons  
 Many sons had Father Abraham  
 I am one of them and so are you  
 So let's all praise the Lord.

Right arm, left arm, right foot, left foot!

Father Abraham had many sons  
 Many sons had Father Abraham  
 I am one of them and so are you  
 So let's all praise the Lord.

Right arm, left arm, right foot, left foot,

Chin up!

Father Abraham had many sons  
 Many sons had Father Abraham  
 I am one of them and so are you  
 So let's all praise the Lord.

Right arm, left arm, right foot, left foot,

Chin up, turn around!

Father Abraham had many sons  
 Many sons had Father Abraham

I am one of them and so are you  
 So let's all praise the Lord.  
 Right arm, left arm, right foot, left foot,  
 Chin up, turn around, sit down!



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All God's creatures have a place in the choir,  
 Some sing low, some sing higher,  
 Some sing out loud on the telephone wire,  
 Some just clap their hands, or paws, or anything they've  
 got now!

Listen to the bass it's the one on the bottom  
 Where the bullfrog croaks, the hippopotamus  
 Moans and groans with a big to-do,  
 The old cow just goes "Moo!"

The dogs and the cats they take up the middle  
 As the honey bee hums, the cricket fiddles  
 The donkey brays and the pony neighs  
 The old grey badger sighs

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Listen to the top and the little birds singing  
 The melody with the high notes ringin'  
 The good owl sighs over everything,  
 The blackbird disagrees.

Singin' in the night time, singin' in the day  
 Little duck quacks and he's on his way  
 And the otter hasn't got that much to say  
 The porcupine talks to himself.

All God's creatures have a place in the choir,  
 some sing low, some sing higher,  
 Some sing out loud on the telephone wire,  
 Some just clap their hands, or paws, or anything they've  
 got now!

It's a simple song a living song everywhere  
 By the ox the fox and the grizzly bear  
 The grumpy alligator and the hawk above  
 The sly old weasel and turtle dove



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Doctor, doctor, can you tell  
 What will make poor Sheila well?  
 She is sick and going to die  
 That will make poor Tommy cry.  
 Tommy, Tommy, don't you cry.  
 You will see her by and by,  
 Dressed in pink or navy blue,  
 Waiting at the church to marry you.



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Come, let us be joyful  
 While life is bright and gay  
 Come, gather its rosebuds  
 Ere they fade away  
 Oh, don't you worry and don't you fret,  
 There's lots of life in the old world yet,  
 We'll take the rose, the thorn forget,  
 And go our way rejoicing.

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Last evening Cousin Peter came  
 Last evening Cousin Peter came  
 Last evening Cousin Peter came  
 To say that he was here  
 He hung his hat upon the peg  
 He hung his hat upon the peg  
 He hung his hat upon the peg  
 To show that he was here  
 He wiped his shoes upon the mat  
 He wiped his shoes upon the mat  
 He wiped his shoes upon the mat  
 To show that he was here  
 He kicked his shoes off one by one  
 He kicked his shoes off one by one  
 He kicked his shoes off one by one  
 To show that he was here  
 He danced about in stockinged feet  
 He danced about in stockinged feet  
 He danced about in stockinged feet  
 To show that he was here  
 He played he was a great big bear  
 He played he was a great big bear  
 He played he was a great big bear

To show that he was here  
 He tossed us up into the air  
 He tossed us up into the air  
 He tossed us up into the air  
 To show that he was here  
 He made a bow and said "good bye"  
 He made a bow and said "good bye"  
 He made a bow and said "good bye"  
 To show that he would go!  
 Goodbye! Goodbye!



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Did you ever see a lassie,  
 A lassie, a lassie  
 Did you ever see a lassie  
 Go this way and that?  
 Go this way and that way,  
 Go this way and that way  
 Did you ever see a lassie  
 Go this way and that?

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Dear little bare feet, dimpled and white,  
 In your long nightgown wrapped for the night;  
 Come, let me count all your queer little toes,  
 Pink as the heart of a shell or a rose.  
 One is a lady that sits in the sun;  
 Two is a baby, and three is a nun;  
 Four is a lily with innocent breast;  
 Five is a birdie asleep in its nest.

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Mary Ann McCartney went a-fishin' for some clams,  
 Mary Ann McCartney went a-fishin' for some clams,  
 Mary Ann McCartney went a-fishin' for some clams,  
 But she didn't get a (clap, clap) clam!  
 All she got was influenza,  
 All she got was influenza,  
 All she got was influenza,  
 But she didn't get a (clap, clap) clam!  
 She dug up all the mud she found in San Francisco Bay,  
 She dug up all the mud she found in San Francisco Bay,  
 She dug up all the mud she found in San Francisco Bay,  
 But she didn't get a (clap, clap) clam!



All she got was influenza,  
 All she got was influenza,  
 All she got was influenza,  
 But she didn't get a (clap, clap) clam!  
 She kept on diggin' anyway but no luck did she have,  
 She kept on diggin' anyway but no luck did she have,  
 She kept on diggin' anyway but no luck did she have,  
 'Cause she didn't get a (clap, clap) clam!

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 All she got was influenza,  
 All she got was influenza,  
 But she didn't get a (clap, clap) clam!

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Five candles on a birthday cake  
 Five, and not one more.  
 You may blow one candle out,  
 And that leaves four!  
 Four candles on a birthday cake  
 There for all to see.  
 You may blow one candle out,  
 And that makes three!  
 Three candles on a birthday cake  
 Standing straight and true.  
 You may blow one candle out,  
 And that leaves two!  
 Two candles on a birthday cake  
 Helping us have fun.  
 You may blow one candle out,  
 And that leaves one!  
 One candle on a birthday cake  
 We know its task is done.  
 You may blow this candle out,  
 And that leaves none!



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Flippity flop!  
 Flippity flop!  
 See how my cute  
 Little bunny can hop.  
 Flippity flop!  
 Flippity flop!  
 You're making me dizzy,  
 So please, won't you stop.



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Follow me  
Wherever I go,  
And do what I do  
When I tell you so.  
First we walk  
And then we skip,  
And then we will jump  
With a clip, clip, clip!  
Now we'll run  
A merry race  
And then we will STOP!  
Ev'ryone, stay in place!

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Over my head and under my toes  
Watch the way my skipping-rope goes  
Over my head, ten toes off the ground  
See my rope swing round and round.  
I can skip slowly, I can skip fast  
Watch my rope go whirling past  
Over my head and under my toes  
It's fun the way my skipping-rope goes

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Miss Lucy had a baby  
She named him Tiny Tim  
She put him in the bath tub  
To see if he could swim  
He drank up all the water  
He ate up all the soap  
He tried to eat the bath tub  
But it wouldn't go down his throat  
Miss Lucy called the Doctor  
Miss Lucy called the Nurse  
Miss Lucy called the Lady  
With the Alligator Purse  
Mumps said the Doctor  
Measles said the Nurse  
Nothing said the Lady  
With the Alligator Purse  
Miss Lucy punched the Doctor  
Miss Lucy Knocked the Nurse





Miss Lucy payed the Lady  
With the Alligator Purse.

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See me spinning round and round,  
Making such a merry sound,  
Dancing lightly on my toes,  
Oh, how quickly I can go-o!  
But this spinning round so fast,  
Makes me dizzy grow at last,  
And I fall upon the floor,  
Then get up and spin some more.

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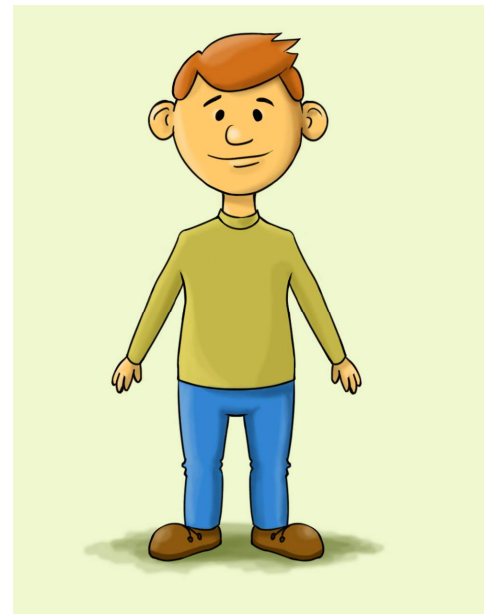
I said a boom chick a boom  
She said a boom chick a boom  
I said a boom boom chicka boom  
She said a boom boom chicka boom  
I said a boom yo mommy boom yo daddy  
Boom yo granny too  
She said a boom yo mommy boom yo daddy  
Boom yo granny too  
I said hey hey  
She said a hey hey  
And a one more time  
And a one more time

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On my head my hands I place.  
On my shoulders,  
On my face,  
On my hips,  
And at my side,  
Then behind me they will hide,  
I will hold them up so high,  
Quickly make my fingers fly,  
Hold them out in front of me,  
Swiftly clap them. One, two, three!

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Go in and out the window  
Go in and out the window  
Go in and out the window  
As we have done before.





Go in and out the window  
 Go in and out the window  
 Go in and out the window  
 As we have done before.  
 Go up and down the staircase  
 Go up and down the staircase  
 Go up and down the staircase  
 As we have done before.  
 Go round and round the village  
 Go round and round the village  
 Go round and round the village  
 As we have done before  
 Stand and face your partner  
 Stand and face your partner  
 Stand and face your partner  
 As we have done before.  
 Go in and out the window  
 Go in and out the window  
 Go in and out the window  
 As we have done before.



\*\*\*  
 Sing a song of washing up  
 Water hot as hot  
 Cups and saucers, plates and spoons  
 Dishes – such a lot  
 Work the dishcloth round and round  
 Wash them clean as clean  
 Polish with a dry white cloth  
 How busy we have been!

\*\*\*  
 Spinning top,  
 Never stop!  
 Keep on whirling,  
 Keep on twirling,  
 Round, round,  
 On the ground,  
 Spinning, spinning, oh!  
 While you spin around and 'round,  
 Whirling, twirling, on the ground,  
 Spinning top,  
 Never stop!  
 Spinning, spinning, oh!



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One, two, three!  
 Who will skip the rope with me?  
 Swing it high, swing it low;  
 Over, under, who will go?  
 One, two, three!  
 Come on and skip with me!

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Dance, thumbkin, dance!  
 Dance, thumbkin, dance!  
 Thumbkin cannot dance alone,  
 So dance, my merry men, ev'ry one,  
 And dance, thumbkin, dance!  
 Dance, foreman, dance!  
 Dance, foreman, dance!  
 Foreman cannot dance alone,  
 So dance, my merry men, ev'ry one,  
 And dance, foreman, dance!  
 Dance, middleman, dance!  
 Dance, middleman, dance!  
 Middleman cannot dance alone,  
 So dance, my merry men, ev'ry one,  
 And dance, middleman, dance!  
 Dance, ringman, dance!  
 Dance, ringman, dance!  
 Ringman cannot dance alone,  
 So dance, my merry men, ev'ry one,  
 And dance, ringman, dance!  
 Dance, littleman, dance!  
 Dance, littleman, dance!  
 Littleman cannot dance alone,  
 So dance, my merry men, ev'ry one,  
 And dance, littleman, dance!



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Froggie in the middle  
 And he can't get out,  
 He can't get out,  
 He can't get out.  
 Froggie in the middle  
 And he can't get out.  
 Here's a fly to lure him out!

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Miss Mary Mack Mack Mack  
 All dressed in black, black, black  
 With silver buttons, buttons, buttons  
 All down her back, back, back.  
 She asked her mother, mother, mother  
 For 50 cents, cents, cents  
 To see the elephants, elephants, elephants  
 Jump over the fence, fence, fence.  
 They jumped so high, high, high  
 They reached the sky, sky, sky  
 And they didn't come back, back, back  
 'Til the 4th of July, ly, ly!



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Here is a beehive. Where are the bees?  
 Hidden away where nobody sees.  
 Watch and you'll see them come out of the hive  
 One, two, three, four, five.  
 Bzzzzzzzz... all fly away!



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She'll be coming round the mountain  
 When she comes  
 She'll be coming round the mountain  
 When she comes  
 She'll be coming round the mountain,  
 She'll be coming round the mountain,  
 She'll be coming round the mountain  
 When she comes  
 She'll be driving six white horses  
 When she comes  
 She'll be driving six white horses  
 When she comes  
 She'll be driving six white horses,  
 She'll be driving six white horses,  
 She'll be driving six white horses  
 When she comes  
 Oh, we'll all go out to meet her  
 When she comes  
 Oh, we'll all go out to meet her  
 When she comes  
 Oh, we'll all go out to meet her,



We'll all go out to meet her,  
 We'll all go out to meet her  
     When she comes  
 She'll be wearing red pajamas  
     When she comes  
 She'll be wearing red pajamas  
     When she comes  
 She'll be wearing red pajamas,  
 She'll be wearing red pajamas,  
 She'll be wearing red pajamas  
     When she comes  
 She will have to sleep with Grandma  
     When she comes  
 She will have to sleep with Grandma  
     When she comes  
 She will have to sleep with Grandma,  
 She'll have to sleep with Grandma,  
 She will have to sleep with Grandma  
     When she comes



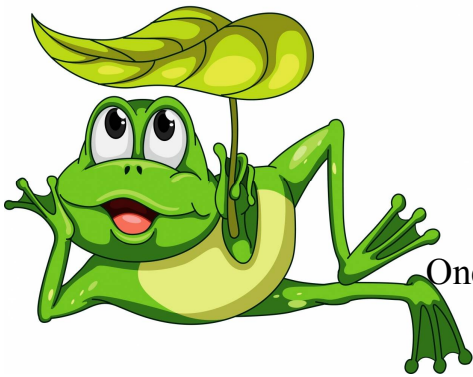
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Five little magpies sat on a wall,  
 Ten little feet amongst them all.  
 Two little magpies crowed and said,  
 "It's getting late, we're off to bed."  
 Two little magpies gone away,  
 Three little magpies yet did stay;  
 One little magpie hopped along,  
 Singing so sweetly his goodnight song.  
 Two little magpies all alone,  
 Oh, how frightened they had grown!  
 They hugged each other 'til night had come,  
 Then off they flew to find their Mom.

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Mother dear, where are you going?  
     Tra la la, tra la la,  
 Mother dear, where are you going?  
     Tra la la la la!  
 I am going to my garden.  
     Tra la la, tra la la,  
 I am going to my garden.  
     Tra la la la la!  
 What shall you do in your garden?

Tra la la, tra la la,  
 What shall you do in your garden?  
 Tra la la la la!  
 I shall pick a bunch of flowers.  
 Tra la la, tra la la,  
 I shall pick a bunch of flowers.  
 Tra la la la la!  
 To whom will you give your flowers?  
 Tra la la, tra la la,  
 To whom will you give your flowers?  
 Tra la la la la!  
 They are for my very best friend.  
 Tra la la, tra la la,  
 They are for my very best friend.  
 Tra la la la la!  
 And who is your very best friend?  
 Tra la la, tra la la,  
 And who is your very best friend?  
 Tra la la la la!  
 This is my very best friend.  
 Tra la la, tra la la,  
 This is my very best friend.  
 Tra la la la la!



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 Five little froggies sat on a shore  
 One went for a swim, then there were four  
 Four little froggies  
 Looked out to sea  
 One went swimming, and then there were three  
 Three little froggies said "What can we do?"  
 One jumped in the water, then there were two  
 Two little froggies sat in the sun  
 One swam off, and then there was one  
 One little froggie said "This is no fun!"  
 He dived in the water, and then there were none!

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 Sing a song of sixpence,  
 A pocket full of rye;  
 Four and twenty blackbirds  
 Baked in a pie!  
 When the pie was opened,  
 The birds began to sing;



Wasn't that a dainty dish  
 To set before the king?  
 The king was in his counting house,  
 Counting all the money;  
 The queen was in the parlor,  
 Eating bread with honey  
 The maid was in the garden,  
 Hanging out the clothes;  
 When down came a blackbird  
 Who snapped off her nose!

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Mr. Lion said,  
 "I am going to Sneeze!"  
 So he put his head down  
 Between his knees!  
 He opened his mouth  
 And out it flew  
 A giant super loud  
 "ACHOO!"  
 The jungle floor jiggled  
 And the trees all wiggled  
 And the birds were flown  
 To Bombay  
 And the elephants were tossed  
 Every which way  
 Mr. Lion looked up and roared,  
 "Oh my, a windstorm just passed!"



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Here is the ostrich straight and tall  
 Nodding his head above us all.  
 Here is the long snake on the ground  
 Wriggling over the stones he found.  
 Here are the birds that fly so high  
 Spreading their wings across the sky.  
 Here is the hedgehog prickly and small  
 Rolling himself into a ball.  
 Here is the spider scuttling around  
 Treading so lightly on the ground.  
 Here are the children fast asleep  
 And here at night the owls do peep.

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Now the time has come for play;  
 Let the leaders show the way.  
 Line up now, all in a row;  
 Left foot, right foot,  
 Here we go!

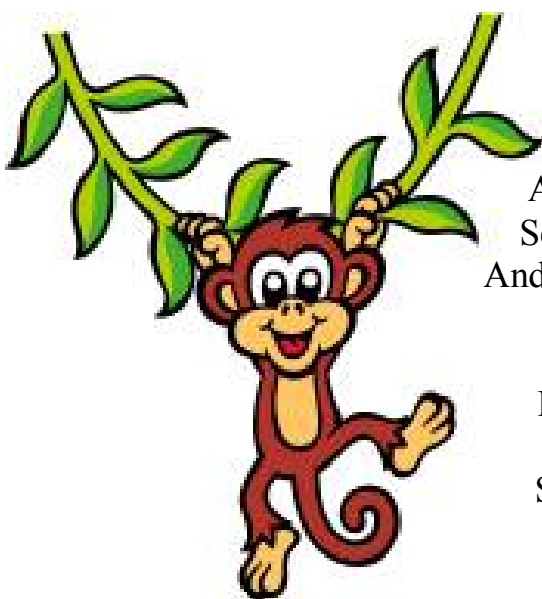


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Miss Polly had a dolly  
 Who was sick, sick, sick,  
 So she called for the doctor  
 To be quick, quick, quick;  
 The doctor came  
 With his bag and his hat,  
 And he knocked at the door  
 With a rat-a-tat-tat.  
 He looked at the dolly  
 And he shook his head,  
 And he said "Miss Polly,  
 Put her straight to bed."  
 He wrote out a paper  
 For a pill, pill, pill,  
 "That'll make her better,  
 Yes it will, will, will!"

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I'm a little monkey  
 How do you do today?  
 See me take my hat off  
 When I shout "Hooray"  
 I can clap my hands  
 And stamp upon the floor  
 See if you can do the same  
 And then we'll have some more  
 I'm a little monkey  
 Hip hip hip hooray  
 I can stick my hands out  
 Then tuck them away  
 See my head go nodding  
 Nodding all the day  
 I'm a little monkey  
 Hip hip hip hooray!





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This is Mama, kind and gentle,  
 Loving all the children dear.  
 This is Papa, strong and faithful,  
 His bright smile is full of cheer.  
 This is brother, full of mischief,  
 Growing up so straight and tall.  
 This is sister, always happy,  
 Playing with her fav'rite doll.  
 This wee finger is the baby,  
 Dearest, sweetest, best of all.  
 Here you see the happy family,  
 All its members great and small.

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I'm a dingly dangly scarecrow.  
 With a flippy floppy hat.  
 I can shake my hands like this.  
 I can shake my feet like that.

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Splash! Fall the raindrops,  
 To the ground they go;  
 We need the raindrops,  
 To help the flowers grow.

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Have you ever been fishing  
 On a bright and sunny day?  
 When all the little fishies  
 Swimmin' up and down the bay?  
 With your hands in your pockets,  
 And your pockets in your pants,  
 And all the little fishies do the  
 Hootchy Kootchy dance!

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Mrs. Kitty, sleek and fat,  
 With her kittens four,  
 Went to sleep upon the mat  
 By the kitchen door.  
 Mrs. Kitty heard a noise --  
 Up she jumped in glee:  
 "Kitties, maybe that's a mouse!"





Let's go look and see!"  
 Creeping, creeping, creeping on,  
 Silently they stole;  
 But the little mouse had gone  
 Back into his hole.  
 "Well," said Mrs. Kitty then,  
 "To the barn we'll go;  
 We will find the swallows there  
 Flying to and fro."  
 Mama Cat and kittens four  
 Tried their very best;  
 But the swallows flying fast  
 Safely reached their nest!  
 Home went hungry Mama cat  
 And her kittens four;  
 Found their dinner on a plate  
 By the kitchen door!  
 Mama Cat said, "Meow!" To chase  
 Birds and mice is fun;  
 But I'm glad that dinner plates can  
 Neither fly nor run! Yummm!



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You put your right foot in,  
 You put your right foot out,  
 You put your right foot in  
 And you shake it all about.  
 You do the Hokey Pokey  
 And you turn yourself around,  
 That's what it's all about.  
 You put your left foot in,  
 You put your left foot out,  
 You put your left foot in,  
 And you shake it all about.  
 You do the Hokey Pokey  
 And you turn yourself around,  
 That's what it's all about.  
 You put your right hand in,  
 You put your right hand out,  
 You put your right hand in  
 And you shake it all about.  
 You do the Hokey Pokey  
 And you turn yourself around,



That's what it's all about.  
 You put your left hand in,  
 You put your left hand out,  
 You put your left hand in,  
 And you shake it all about.  
 You do the Hokey Pokey  
 And you turn yourself around,  
 That's what it's all about.  
 You put your right shoulder in,  
 You put your right shoulder out,  
 You put your right shoulder in,  
 And you shake it all about.  
 You do the Hokey Pokey  
 And you turn yourself around,  
 That's what it's all about.  
 You put your left shoulder in,  
 You put your left shoulder out,  
 You put your left shoulder in,  
 And you shake it all about.  
 You do the Hokey Pokey  
 And you turn yourself around,  
 That's what it's all about.  
 You put your right hip in,  
 You put your right hip out,  
 You put your right hip in,  
 And you shake it all about.  
 You do the Hokey Pokey  
 And you turn yourself around,  
 That's what it's all about.  
 You put your left hip in,  
 You put your left hip out,  
 You put your left hip in,  
 And you shake it all about.  
 You do the Hokey Pokey  
 And you turn yourself around,  
 That's what it's all about.  
 You put your whole self in,  
 You put your whole self out,  
 You put your whole self in,  
 And you shake it all about.  
 You do the Hokey Pokey  
 And you turn yourself around,  
 That's what it's all about.



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Here are baby's eyes so blue,  
Here is baby's little nose;  
Here are baby's rosy cheeks,  
And here are baby's little toes!



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I met a girl named Sally,  
She came from Cincinatti.  
With a pickle for a nose  
And forty eight toes,  
And that's the way the story goes.  
I L-O-V-E love you!  
I K-I-S-S kiss you!  
I L-O-V-E, K-I-S-S, L-O-V-E love you!!!

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This is how we plant a bean,  
In our garden, in our garden,  
This is how we plant a bean,  
In our pretty garden green.  
Now we plant it with our foot,  
In our garden, in our garden,  
Now we plant it with our foot,  
In our pretty garden green.  
Now we plant it with our hand,  
In our garden, in our garden,  
Now we plant it with our hand,  
In our pretty garden green.  
Now we plant it with our elbow,  
In our garden, in our garden,  
Now we plant it with our elbow,  
In our pretty garden green.  
Now we plant it with our knee,  
In our garden, in our garden,  
Now we plant it with our knee,  
In our pretty garden green.  
Now we plant it with our chin,  
In our garden, in our garden,  
Now we plant it with our chin,  
In our pretty garden green.





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Soldier, soldier, will you marry me,  
With your knapsack, fife and drum?

"Oh, how can I marry  
Such a pretty girl as you,  
When I've got no coat to put on?"

So she ran away  
To the village tailor's shop,  
As fast as she could run,  
And she bought him a coat,  
Oh, the best that she could buy,  
And the soldier put it on.  
Soldier, soldier, will you marry me,  
With your knapsack, fife and drum?

"Oh, how can I marry  
Such a pretty girl as you,  
When I've got no shoes to put on?"

So she ran away  
To the shoemaker's shop,  
As fast as she could run,  
And she bought him some shoes,  
Oh, the best that she could buy,  
And the soldier put them on.  
Soldier, soldier, will you marry me,  
With your knapsack, fife and drum?

"Oh, how can I marry  
Such a pretty girl as you,  
When I've got no hat to put on?"

So she ran away  
To the village hatter's shop,  
As fast as she could run,  
And she bought him a hat,  
Oh, the best that she could buy,  
And the soldier put it on.  
Soldier, soldier, will you marry me,  
With your knapsack, fife and drum?

"Oh, how can I marry  
Such a pretty girl as you,  
When I've got no gloves to put on?"

So she ran away  
To the glovemaking's shop,  
As fast as she could run,  
And she bought him some gloves,  
Oh, the best that she could buy,



And the soldier put them on.  
 Soldier, soldier, will you marry me,  
 With your knapsack, fife and drum?  
 "Oh, how can I marry  
 Such a pretty girl as you,  
 When I've got a good wife at home?"  
 So she ran away  
 Just as fast as she could run,  
 To tell her Mom and Dad,  
 And they gave her a hug,  
 As they told their pretty girl,  
 That she had just been had!



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I'm a little hunk of tin  
 Nobody knows what shape I'm in  
 I've got four wheels and a running board  
 I'm not a Chevy, I'm a Ford  
 Honk honk rattle rattle rattle crash beep beep  
 Honk honk rattle rattle rattle crash beep beep  
 Honk honk rattle rattle rattle crash beep beep  
 Grandpa's beard is long and grey  
 It gets longer every day  
 Grandma eats it in her sleep  
 Says it tastes like shredded wheat  
 Honk honk rattle rattle rattle crash beep beep  
 Honk honk rattle rattle rattle crash beep beep  
 Honk honk rattle rattle rattle crash beep beep  
 I'm a little acorn round  
 Lying on the cold, cold ground  
 Everybody steps on me  
 That is why I'm cracked you see  
 Honk honk rattle rattle rattle crash beep beep  
 Honk honk rattle rattle rattle crash beep beep  
 Honk honk rattle rattle rattle crash beep beep  
 I'm a little TNT  
 I'm as cute as I can be  
 I can sing and I can dance  
 I wear ruffles on my (oops, boys, take another guess)  
 I wear ruffles on my dress  
 Honk honk rattle rattle rattle crash beep beep  
 Honk honk rattle rattle rattle crash beep beep  
 Honk honk rattle rattle rattle crash beep beep





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O, Chester, did you 'ear about Harry?  
 He chest got back from the army.  
 I 'ear he knows how to wear a rose,  
 Hip, hip, hooray for the army!

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Here we go looby loo  
 Here we go looby light  
 Here we go looby loo  
 All on a Saturday night  
 You put your right hand in  
 You take your right hand out  
 You give your hand a shake, shake, shake  
 And turn yourself about  
 Here we go looby loo  
 Here we go looby light  
 Here we go looby loo  
 All on a Saturday night  
 You put your left hand in  
 You take your left hand out  
 You give your left hand a shake, shake, shake  
 And turn yourself about  
 Here we go looby loo  
 Here we go looby light  
 Here we go looby loo  
 All on a Saturday night  
 You put your right foot in  
 You take your right foot out  
 You give your right foot a shake, shake, shake



And turn yourself about  
 Here we go looby loo  
 Here we go looby light  
 Here we go looby loo  
 All on a Saturday night  
 You put your left foot in  
 You take your left foot out  
 You give your left foot a shake, shake, shake  
 And turn yourself about  
 Here we go looby loo  
 Here we go looby light  
 Here we go looby loo  
 All on a Saturday night  
 You put your whole self in

You take your whole self out  
 You give your whole self a shake, shake, shake  
 And turn yourself about

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Little Tommy Tinker  
 Sat on a clinker  
 And he began to cry,  
 "Oh Ma!  
 Oh Ma!"  
 Poor little innocent guy!

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Hold your right hand up;  
 Hold your left hand up;  
 Shake your fingers 'round,  
 And then clap, clap, clap!  
 Stretch your right arm out;  
 Stretch your left arm out;  
 Give a little hop,  
 Then turn once about.  
 Bend and touch your toes;  
 Then stretch to the sky;  
 Like a little bird,  
 Spread your wings and fly!  
 On your right foot, hop;  
 On your left foot, hop;  
 Now jump with both feet,  
 Then it's time... to... STOP!

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Oh, baker, make a cake,  
 Oh, baker, make a cake,  
 Stir it up as fast as you can,  
 Oh, baker, make a cake.  
 Oh, baker, pat-a-cake,  
 Oh, baker, pat-a-cake,  
 Pat-a-cake as fast as you can,  
 Oh, baker, pat-a-cake.  
 Oh, baker, roll the cake,  
 Oh, baker, roll the cake,  
 Roll it 'round as fast as you can,  
 Oh, baker, roll the cake.  
 And mark it with a B,





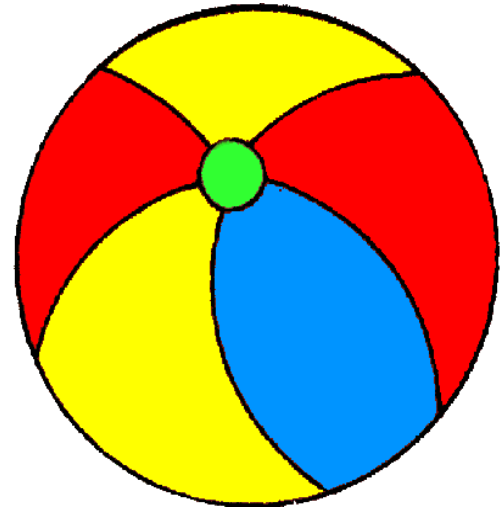
And mark it with a B,  
Mark it up for baby and me,  
And mark it with a B.

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Little ball, roll along  
Slowly on your way,  
Pass it while we sing this song,  
And this game we play;  
When at last our song is done,  
We will look to see  
Which one of us has the ball,  
Oh, who will it be?

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Baby's gone,  
Where is she?  
Peek-a-boo!  
Now I see.  
Gone again,  
Where'd she go?  
Peek-a-boo!  
I found her toe!



\*\*\*

I'm a little teapot  
Short and stout  
Here is my handle  
Here is my spout  
When I get all steamed up  
Hear me shout  
"Tip me over  
and pour me out!"  
I'm a clever teapot,  
Yes it's true  
Here let me show you  
What I can do  
I can change my handle  
And my spout  
Just tip me over and pour me out!



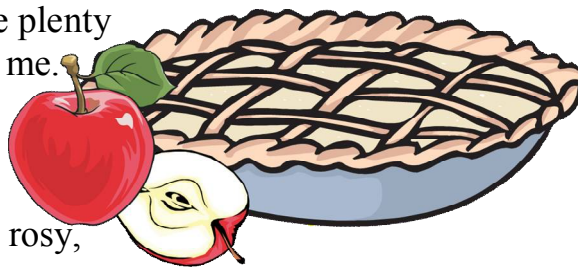
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Say, say, oh playmate,  
 Come out and play with me  
 And bring your dollies three  
 Climb up my apple tree  
 Shout down my rain barrel  
 Slide down my cellar door  
 And we'll be jolly friends  
 Forever more more more more more more  
 Say, say, oh playmate  
 I cannot play with you  
 My dolly's got the flu  
 Boo hoo hoo hoo hoo hoo  
 Ain't got no rain barrel  
 Ain't got no cellar door  
 But we'll be jolly friends  
 Forever more more more more more more



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Pat-a-cake, pat-a-cake,  
 Baker's man!  
 Bake us a cake  
 As fast as you can,  
 Mix it and prick it  
 And mark it with B,  
 And there will be plenty  
 For baby and me.



\*\*\*

Ring a round a rosy,  
 Pocket full of posy,  
 First we all fall down and then,  
 Pick ourselves right up again!

\*\*\*

John Brown's baby had a cold upon his chest  
 John Brown's baby had a cold upon his chest  
 John Brown's baby had a cold upon his chest  
 And they rubbed it with camphorated oil.  
 Johnny works with one hammer,  
 One hammer one hammer



Johnny works with one hammer,  
 Johnny works with two.  
 Johnny works with two hammers,  
 Two hammers two hammers  
 Johnny works with two hammers  
 Johnny works with three.  
 Johnny works with three hammers,  
 Three hammers three hammers  
 Johnny works with three hammers  
 Johnny works with four.  
 Johnny works with four hammers,  
 Four hammers four hammers  
 Johnny works with four hammers  
 Johnny works with five.  
 Johnny works with five hammers,  
 Five hammers five hammers  
 Johnny works with five hammers  
 Johnny's work is DONE!



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Hurry, hurry, drive the fire truck  
 (Hands on steering wheel)  
 Hurry, hurry, drive the fire truck  
 Hurry, hurry, drive the fire truck  
 Ding, ding, ding, ding, ding!  
 Hurry, hurry, turn the corner  
 Hurry, hurry, turn the corner  
 Hurry, hurry, turn the corner  
 Ding, ding, ding, ding, ding!  
 Hurry, hurry, climb the ladder  
 Hurry, hurry, climb the ladder  
 Hurry, hurry, climb the ladder  
 Ding, ding, ding, ding, ding!  
 Hurry, hurry, squirt the water  
 Hurry, hurry, squirt the water  
 Hurry, hurry, squirt the water  
 Ding, ding, ding, ding, ding!  
 Slowly, slowly, back to the station  
 Slowly, slowly, back to the station  
 Slowly, slowly, back to the station  
 Ding, ding, ding, ding, ding!

\*\*\*

With tuppence for paper and strings,  
 You can have your own set of wings.  
 With your feet on the ground,  
 you're a bird in flight!  
 With your fist holding tight,  
 to the string of your kite!  
 Let's go fly a kite  
 Up to the highest height  
 Let's go fly a kite  
 And send it soaring  
 Up through the atmosphere  
 Up where the air is clear  
 Oh, let's go fly a kite!  
 When you send it flying up there,  
 All at once you're lighter than air!  
 You can dance on the breeze,  
 over houses and trees!  
 With your fist holding tight,  
 To the string your kite!  
 Let's go fly a kite  
 Up to the highest height  
 Let's go fly a kite  
 And send it soaring  
 Up through the atmosphere  
 Up where the air is clear  
 Oh, let's go fly a kite!



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Oranges and lemons  
 Say the bells of St. Clements  
 I owe you five farthings  
 Say the bells of St. Martins  
 When will you pay me?  
 Say the bells at Old Bailey  
 When I grow rich  
 Say the bells at Shoreditch  
 When will that be?  
 Say the bells of Stepney  
 I'm sure I don't know  
 Says the great bell of Bow  
 Here comes a candle to light you to bed  
 Here comes a chopper to chop off your head  
 Spoken: Chip chop chip chop the last man's HEAD!





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My name is Peppermint Patty,  
 I live in Cincinatti,  
 With a freckle on my nose  
 And eighteen toes,  
 And this is how my story goes:  
 One day as I was walkin',  
 I saw my boyfriend talkin'  
 To a pretty little girl  
 With strawberry curls  
 And this is what he said to her.  
 I L-O-V-E, love you,  
 I K-I-S-S, kiss you,  
 I K-I-S-S, kiss you  
 On your F-A-C-E,  
 Face face face.

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I am a pretty little Dutch girl  
 As pretty as I can be  
 And all the boys  
 In the neighborhood  
 Are crazy over me.  
 My boyfriend's name is Mello,  
 He comes from the land of Jello,  
 With pickles for his toes  
 And a cherry for his nose  
 And that's the way my story goes.

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Happy little kernels of corn are we,  
 Wrapped up in our jackets of white;  
 We hop and we pop,  
 We're so full of glee,  
 Hopping 'til we pop just right!  
 Hopping, popping,  
 Hop, hop, hop!  
 Hopping, popping,  
 Pop, pop, pop!  
 Hopping, popping,  
 Hop, hop, hop!  
 Hopping, popping,  
 Pop, pop, pop!



Busy little kernels of corn are we,  
 Stuck inside our corn popper tight,  
 We laugh and we dance,  
 We just can't keep still;  
 Hopping 'til we pop just right!  
 Hopping, popping,  
 Hop, hop, hop!  
 Hopping, popping,  
 Pop, pop, pop!  
 Hopping, popping,  
 Hop, hop, hop!  
 Hopping, popping,  
 Pop, pop, pop!



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Jack and Jill went up the hill  
 To fetch a pail of water.  
 Jack fell down and broke his crown,  
 And Jill came tumbling after.  
 Then up got Jack and said to Jill,  
 As in his arms he took her,  
 "Brush off that dirt for you're not hurt,  
 Let's fetch that pail of water."  
 So Jack and Jill went up the hill  
 To fetch the pail of water,  
 And took it home to Mother dear,  
 Who thanked her son and daughter.

\*\*\*

Ride a Cock-horse  
 To Banbury Cross,  
 To see a fine lady  
 Upon a white horse,  
 Rings on her fingers,  
 And bells on her toes,  
 She shall have music  
 Wherever she goes.



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I'm a little prairie flow'r,  
 Growin' wilder by the hour;  
 No one cares to cultivate me,  
 'Cause I'm as wild as wild can be.  
 I'm a little snowflake white



Floating downward in the night;  
 Nobody ever cuddles up to me,  
 'Cause I'm as cold as cold can be.  
 I'm a wrinkled little prune,  
 Very soon I may be stewed;  
 If I do, look out for me,  
 'Cause I'm as bad as bad can be.  
 I'm as bad as bad can be.  
 Too-ra-loo-ra, too-ra-lee!  
 I'm a little acorn brown,  
 Lying on the dusty ground;  
 Nobody stops to pick me up,  
 'Cause I am just a little NUT.  
 I was just a little nut,  
 'Til I fell out of that tree;  
 Then Mr. Smith came walkin' along,  
 Silly man, he stepped on me!  
 Teedle-dum, teedle-dee.  
**I'M CRACKED! I'M WILD! I'M CRAZY!**

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Ride a mile on Daddy's foot!  
 Up, up and away!  
 Round about the hill we go,  
 In among the hay.  
 Out upon the whinny moor,  
 Down the windy glen;  
 In and out among the trees,  
 Through the woods again.  
 Now we climb a grassy bank  
 Where the flowers grow;  
 Now we canter down again  
 To the road below.  
 Now we pass the farmer's field,  
 See him as he stands!  
 With his cows and horses  
 As they graze upon the land.  
 When the moon is round and white  
 Fairies play their tricks,  
 Riding races through the skies  
 All on crooked sticks;  
 Who that has so fleet a horse  
 Would not up and ride  
 Round the world on daddy's foot,



By the chimneyside?  
 Little one, with cheeks so red,  
 You have ridden well;  
 Some day you will have to go  
 Round the world yourself;  
 Then you'll be a mighty one,  
 Tramping on your feet,  
 May you keep a heart as kind  
 And a laugh as sweet.



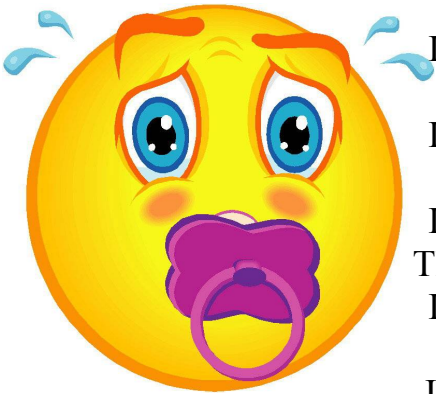
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If you're happy and you know it,  
 Clap your hands  
 If you're happy and you know it,  
 Clap your hands  
 If you're happy and you know it,  
 Then your face will surely show it  
 If you're happy and you know it,  
 Clap your hands.  
 If you're happy and you know it,  
 Tap your toe  
 If you're happy and you know it,  
 Tap your toe  
 If you're happy and you know it,  
 Then your face will surely show it  
 If you're happy and you know it,  
 Tap your toe.  
 If you're happy and you know it,  
 Nod your head  
 If you're happy and you know it,  
 Nod your head  
 If you're happy and you know it,  
 Then your face will surely show it  
 If you're happy and you know it,  
 Nod your head.  
 If you're happy and you know it,  
 Clap your hands  
 If you're happy and you know it,  
 Clap your hands  
 If you're happy and you know it,  
 Then your face will surely show it  
 If you're happy and you know it,  
 Clap your hands.  
 If you're happy and you know it,





Then your face will surely show it  
 If you're happy and you know it,  
     Clap your hands.  
 If you're scared and you know it,  
     Hide your eyes  
 If you're scared and you know it,  
     Hide your eyes  
 If you're scared and you know it,  
 Then your face will surely show it  
 If you're scared and you know it,  
     Hide your eyes  
 If you're sad and you know it,  
     Cry a tear  
 If you're sad and you know it,  
     Cry a tear  
 If you're sad and you know it,  
 Then your face will surely show it  
 If you're sad and you know it,  
     Cry a tear



If you're angry and you know it,  
     Stomp your feet  
 If you're angry and you know it,  
     Stomp your feet  
 If you're angry and you know it,  
 Then your face will surely show it  
 If you're angry and you know it,  
     Stomp your feet  
 If you're happy and you know it,  
     Shout "Hurray!"  
 If you're happy and you know it,  
     Shout "Hurray!"  
 If you're happy and you know it,  
 Then your face will surely show it  
 If you're happy and you know it,  
     Shout "Hurray!"

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One finger, one thumb, keep moving  
 One finger, one thumb, keep moving  
 One finger, one thumb, keep moving  
     We'll all be merry and bright  
 One finger, one thumb, one arm, keep moving  
 One finger, one thumb, one arm, keep moving  
 One finger, one thumb, one arm, keep moving



We'll all be merry and bright  
 One finger, one thumb, one arm, one leg, keep moving  
 One finger, one thumb, one arm, one leg, keep moving  
 One finger, one thumb, one arm, one leg, keep moving  
 We'll all be merry and bright  
 One finger, one thumb, one arm, one leg, one nod of the  
 head, keep moving  
 One finger, one thumb, one arm, one leg, one nod of the  
 head, keep moving  
 One finger, one thumb, one arm, one leg, one nod of the  
 head, keep moving  
 We'll all be merry and bright  
 One finger, one thumb, one arm, one leg, one nod of the  
 head, sit down, stand up, keep moving  
 One finger, one thumb, one arm, one leg, one nod of the  
 head, sit down, stand up, keep moving  
 One finger, one thumb, one arm, one leg, one nod of the  
 head, sit down, stand up, keep moving  
 We'll all be merry and bright



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Oats, peas, beans, and barley grow,  
 Oats, peas, beans, and barley grow,  
 Can you or I or anyone know  
 How oats, peas, beans, and barley grow?  
 First the farmer sows his seed,  
 Stands erect and takes his ease,  
 He stamps his foot and claps his hands,  
 And turns around to view his lands.  
 Oats, peas, beans, and barley grow,  
 Oats, peas, beans, and barley grow,  
 Can you or I or anyone know  
 How oats, peas, beans, and barley grow?  
 Next the farmer waters the seed,  
 Stands erect and takes his ease,  
 He stamps his foot and claps his hands,  
 And turns around to view his lands.  
 Oats, peas, beans, and barley grow,  
 Oats, peas, beans, and barley grow,  
 Can you or I or anyone know  
 How oats, peas, beans, and barley grow?  
 Next the farmer hoes the weeds,  
 Stands erect and takes his ease,  
 He stamps his foot and claps his hands,





And turns around to view his lands.  
 Oats, peas, beans, and barley grow,  
 Oats, peas, beans, and barley grow,  
 Can you or I or anyone know  
 How oats, peas, beans, and barley grow?  
 Last the farmer harvests his seed,  
 Stands erect and takes his ease,  
 He stamps his foot and claps his hands,  
 And turns around to view his lands.  
 Oats, peas, beans, and barley grow,  
 Oats, peas, beans, and barley grow,  
 Can you or I or anyone know  
 How oats, peas, beans, and barley grow?

\*\*\*

Pretend that we're little frogs,  
 Hopping, hopping, hopping!  
 Pretend that we're little frogs,  
 Hopping, hopping, hopping!  
 Pretend that we're little fish,  
 Swimming, swimming, swimming!  
 Pretend that we're little fish,  
 Swimming, swimming, swimming!  
 Pretend that we're little birds,  
 Flying, flying, flying!  
 Pretend that we're little birds,  
 Flying, flying, flying!  
 Pretend that we're little bees,  
 Buzzing, buzzing, buzzing!  
 Pretend that we're little bees,  
 Buzzing, buzzing, buzzing!  
 Pretend that we're little babes,  
 Sleeping, sleeping, sleeping!  
 Pretend that we're little babes,  
 Sleeping, sleeping, sleeping!  
 Shhhhhhhhhh!

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Put your little foot,  
 Put your little foot,  
 Put your little foot right there,  
 Put your little foot,  
 Put your little foot,  
 Put your little foot right there.



Walk and walk and walk  
And walk and turn,  
Walk and walk and walk  
And walk and turn.





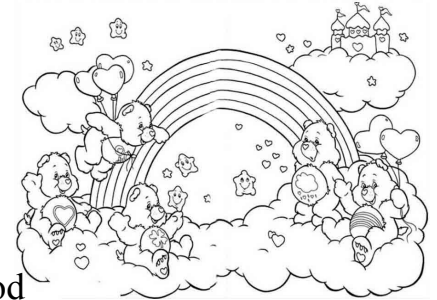
# RIDDLES

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I am purple, yellow, red, and green  
The King cannot reach me and neither can the  
Queen.

I show my colours after the rain  
And only when the sun comes out again

{A rainbow}



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What flares up quickly and does some good  
But a moment later, it's just a small piece of  
wood?

{A match}

\*\*\*

I love your dog and ride on his back  
I travel for miles but don't leave a track.

{A flea}

\*\*\*

Link lank, on a bank,  
Ten against four.

{A milkmaid}

\*\*\*

I am always hungry,  
I must always be fed,  
The finger I touch,  
Will soon turn red

{Fire}

\*\*\*

The maker doesn't need it,  
The buyer doesn't use it  
The user uses it without knowing.

WHAT IS IT?

{A coffin}

\*\*\*

It has seven letters,  
It proceeded God,  
All poor people have it,  
And all rich people need it.

WHAT IS IT?

{Nothing}



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Two bodies I have  
Though both joined in one  
The more still I stand  
The quicker I run.

What am I?

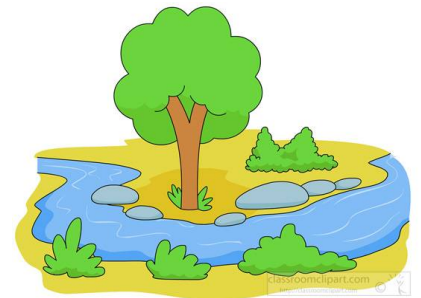
{An hourglass}

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I can run, but never walk,  
Often a murmur, never talk,  
I have a bed but never sleep,  
I have a mouth but never eat.

What am I?

{A river}



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A RIDDLE, a riddle, as I suppose,  
A hundred eyes, and never a nose.

{A cinder-sifter}

\*\*\*

If a man carried my burden,  
He would break his back.  
I am not rich,  
But leave silver in my track.

What am I?

{A snail}

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Toss me out of the window,  
You'll find a grieving wife,  
Pull me back but through the door, and  
Watch someone give life!

What am I?

{The letter 'n'}



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Kings and lords and christians raised them  
 Since they stand for higher powers  
 Yet few of them would stand, I'm certain,  
 if women ruled this world of ours  
 {A tower}

\*\*\*

Alive without breath,  
 As cold as death,  
 Clad in mail never clinking,  
 Never thirsty, ever drinking  
 {A fish}

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Black we are and much admired,  
 men seek us if they are tired,  
 We tire the horse, comfort man,  
 guess this riddle if you can  
 {Coal}

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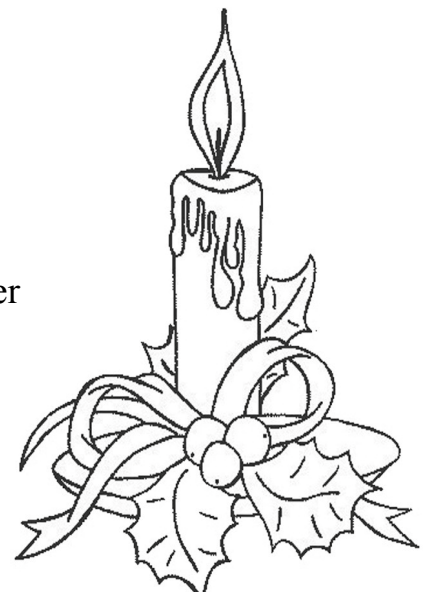
What has roots that nobody sees,  
 Is taller than trees,  
 Up, up it goes,  
 Yet it never grows?  
 {A mountain}

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Little Miss Eticote  
 In her white petticoat  
 And her red nose  
 The longer she stands  
 The shorter she grows  
 { A candle}

\*\*\*

Kings and queens may cling to power  
 and the jester's got his call  
 But, as you may all discover,  
 the common one outranks them all  
 {An ace}



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It cannot be seen, it cannot be felt,  
 Cannot be heard, cannot be smelt,  
 Lies behind stars and under hills,  
 And empty holes it fills.  
 Comes first follows after,  
 Ends life kills laughter  
 {Darkness}



\*\*\*

As round as an apple, as deep as a cup,  
 And all the king's horses can't pull it up.  
 {A well}

\*\*\*

My first is twice in apple but not once in tart.  
 My second is in liver but not in heart.  
 My third is in giant and also in ghost.  
 Whole I'm best, when I am roast.  
 What am I?  
 {A pig}



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Until I am measured  
 I am not known,  
 Yet how you miss me  
 When I have flown.  
 {Time}

\*\*\*

Each morning I appear  
 To lie at your feet,  
 All day I will follow  
 No matter how fast you run,  
 Yet I nearly perish  
 In the midday sun.  
 {Shadow}

\*\*\*

Only one color, but not one size,  
 stuck at the bottom, yet easily flies;  
 present in sun, but not in rain;  
 doing no harm, and feeling no pain.  
 {A shadow}



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What force and strength cannot get through,  
I, with a gentle touch, can do.  
And many in the street would stand,  
were I not a friend at hand.

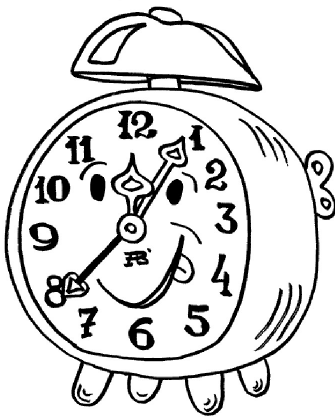
{A key}

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What does man love more than life  
Fear more than death or mortal strife  
What the poor have, the rich require,  
and what contented men desire,  
What the miser spends and the spendthrift  
saves

And all men carry to their graves?  
{Nothing}

\*\*\*



Three brothers share a family sport:  
A non-stop marathon  
The oldest one is fat and short  
And trudges slowly on  
The middle brother's tall and slim  
And keeps a steady pace  
The youngest runs just like the wind,  
A-speeding through the race  
"He's young in years, we let him run,"  
The other brothers say  
"Cause though he's surely number one,  
He's second, in a way."  
{The hands on a clock}

\*\*\*

I have palms but not on hands,  
I offer foods from distant lands,  
When at my peak you'll see me smoke,  
I'm famous for my friendly folk,  
My flowers grow and yet they lay,  
There's fire where a man will play,  
I'm sure you know we're family,  
You're welcome to come stay with me.

What am I?  
{Hawaii}



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Glittering points  
That downward thrust,  
Sparkling spears  
That never rust.  
{Icicle}



\*\*\*

I can be long, or I can be short.  
I can be grown, and I can be bought.  
I can be painted, or left bare.  
I can be round, or square.  
What am I?  
{A fingernail}

\*\*\*

I cannot be other than what I am  
Until the man who made me dies  
Power and glory will fall to me finally  
Only when he last closes his eyes  
{A prince}

\*\*\*

In the marble walls as white as milk,  
Lined with skin as soft as silk,  
Within a fountain crystal clear,  
A golden apple does appear.  
No doors are there to this stronghold  
Yet thieves break in and steal the gold.  
{ An egg or egg yolk}

\*\*\*

The thunder comes before the lightning,  
And the lightning comes before the cloud,  
The rain dries all the land it touches,  
Wrapping the earth in a blood red shroud.  
What am I?  
{A volcano}

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This house holds rooms, one score and six,  
That shelter a vast mob.  
It lets lions lie down with the lambs,  
Yet makes both shun the slob.



None now will nestle with nicks and nates,  
 While reams room near the rear.  
 Though you and I have separate rooms  
 Both our bottles brim with beer.  
 The king and queen can never mate  
 (Though hands and hearts hobnob)  
 Because their rooms are separate  
 If this jail does its job.  
 What house is this that rules thus  
 Forcing faith to fend with fear?  
 The answer to this riddle lies  
 With dead and dying here.  
 {A dictionary}

\*\*\*

I am always with you  
 But commonly forgotten.  
 You use me constantly,  
 And can sometimes be rotten.  
 What am I?  
 {Air}

\*\*\*

TWO legs sat upon three legs,  
 With one leg in his lap ;  
 In comes four legs,  
 And runs away with one leg.  
 Up jumps two legs,  
 Catches up three legs,  
 Throws it after four legs,  
 And makes him bring back one leg.  
 {one leg is a leg of mutton; two legs, a man;  
 three legs, a stool; four legs, a dog}



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I'm found on a hand and also a tree,  
 You'll find me on Sunday, occasionally,  
 Records, pictures, islands and brew,  
 From August to Wolfgang and Sago for you.  
 What am I?  
 {Palm}

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AS I went over Lincoln bridge,  
 I met mister Rusticap;  
 Pins and needles on his back,  
 A going to Thorney fair.  
 {A hedgehog}



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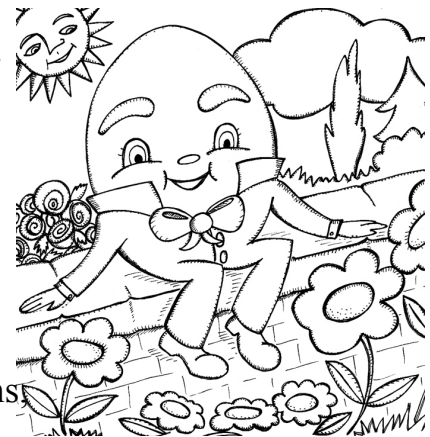
Every dawn begins with me  
 At dusk I'll be the first you see  
 And daybreak couldn't come without  
 What midday centers all about  
 Daises grow from me, I'm told  
 And when I come, I end all cold  
 But in the sun I won't be found  
 Yet still, each day I'll be around  
 {The letter d}

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Humpty Dumpty sate on a wall,  
 Humpty dumpty had a great fall ;  
 Three score men and three score more,  
 Cannot place Humpty Dumpty  
 as he was before  
 {An egg}

\*\*\*

LITTLE Nancy Etticoat,  
 In a white petticoat,  
 And a red nose ;  
 The longer she stands,  
 The shorter she grows.  
 {A candle}



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LONG legs, crooked thighs  
 Little head and no eyes.  
 {A pair of tongs}

\*\*\*

Riddle me, riddle me, what is that  
 Over the head and under the hat?  
 {Hair}



\*\*\*

AS I went through the garden gap,  
 Who should I meet but Dick Red-cap !  
 A stick in his hand, a stone in his throat,—  
 If you'll tell me this riddle, I'll give you a  
 goat.

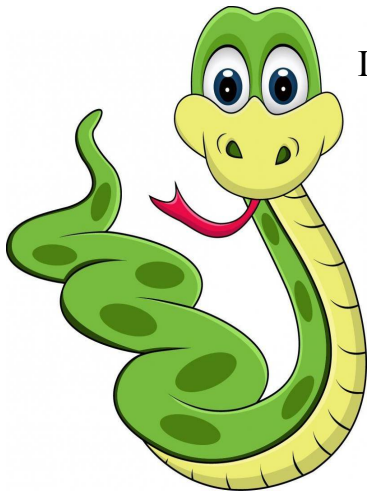
{A cherry}

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I am flora, not fauna,  
 I am foliage, not trees,  
 I am shrubbery, not grass,  
 What am I?

{A bush}

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I spit like bacon, am made with an egg,  
 I have plenty of backbone but lack good legs,  
 I peel like an onion but still remain whole,  
 I'm long like a flagpole, yet fit in a hole

What am I?

{A snake}

\*\*\*

Snake coiled round and round,  
 Snake deep below the ground,  
 Snake that's never had a head,  
 Snake that binds but not with dread.

{A rope}

\*\*\*

Formed long ago, yet made to day,  
 Employed while others sleep ;  
 What few would like to give away,  
 Nor any wish to keep.

{A bed}

\*\*\*

It's true I bring serenity,  
 And hang around the stars  
 But yet I live in misery;  
 You'll find me behind bars  
 With thieves and villains I consort  
 In prison I'll be found

But I would never go to court,  
Unless there's more than one  
{The letter s}

\*\*\*

Purple, yellow, red, and green,  
The king cannot reach it nor the queen ;  
Nor can old Noll, whose power's so great  
Tell me this riddle while I count eight.  
{A rainbow}

\*\*\*

What shoe-maker makes shoes without leather,  
With all the four elements put together ?  
Fire and water, earth and air,  
Ev'ry customer has two pair.  
{A horse-shoer}

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Thirty white horses upon a red hill,  
Now they tramp, now they champ, now they  
stand still.  
{Teeth and gums}

\*\*\*

A hill full, a hole full,  
Ye cannot catch a bowl full  
{Mist / fog}

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The fiddler and his wife,  
The piper and his mother,  
Ate three half-cakes, three whole cakes,  
And three quarters of another.  
How much did each get?  
{The fiddler's wife was the piper's mother.  
Each one therefore got  $1\frac{3}{4}$ .}

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Mrs. Twitchett with one eye,  
A wondrous length of train lets fly;  
As she glides through every gap,  
She leaves a bit of her tail in the trap  
{A needle and thread}





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As high as a castle,  
 As weak as a wastle;  
 And all the king's horses  
 Cannot pull it down.  
 {Smoke}

\*\*\*

I've seen you where you never was,  
 And where you ne'er will be;  
 And yet you in that very same place  
 May still be seen by me  
 {The reflection of a face in a looking-glass}

\*\*\*

Of flesh and blood sprung am I ever;  
 But blood in me that find ye never.  
 Many great lords bear me proudly,  
 With sharp knives cutting me loudly.  
 Many I've graced right honorably:  
 Rich ones many I've humble made;  
 Many within their grave I've laid!  
 {A pen}



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Highty, tifty, paradighty clothed in green,  
 The king could not read it, no more could the  
 queen ;  
 They sent for a wise man out of the East,  
 Who said it had horns, but was not a beast!  
 {The holly tree}

\*\*\*

There is a bird of great renown,  
 Useful in city and in town;  
 None work like unto him can do;  
 He's yellow, black, red, and green,  
 A very pretty bird I mean;  
 Yet he's both fierce and fell:  
 I count him wise that can this tell.  
 {A bee}

\*\*\*

A flock of white sheep  
On a red hill;  
Here they go, there they go,  
Now they stand still!  
{The teeth and gums}



\*\*\*

What God never sees,  
What the king seldom sees;  
What we see every day:  
Read my riddle,—I pray.  
{An equal}

\*\*\*

As white as milk,  
And not milk;  
As green as grass,  
And not grass;  
As red as blood,  
And not blood;  
As black as soot,  
And not soot!  
{A bramble-blossom}



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I'm in every one's way,  
But no one I stop;  
My four horns every day  
In every way play,  
And my head is nailed on at the top  
{A turnstile}

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The land was white,  
The seed was black;  
It'll take a good scholar  
To riddle me that.  
{Paper and writing}



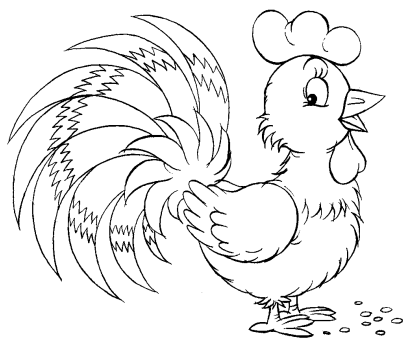
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The cuckoo and the gowk,  
The laverock and the lark,  
The twire-snipe, the weather-bleak;  
How many birds is that?  
{Three}

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I am found on land and in sea,  
Yet I neither walk nor swim.  
I travel by foot, but have no toes.  
No matter where I roam,  
I'm never away from home.  
What am I?  
{A snail}

\*\*\*



Hoddy-doddy,  
With a round black body!  
Three feet and a wooden hat;  
What's that?  
{An iron pot}

\*\*\*

Banks full, braes full,  
Though ye gather all day,  
Ye'll not gather your hands full.  
{The mist}

\*\*\*

As I was going o'er yon moor of moss,  
I met a man on a gray horse;  
He whipp'd and he wail'd,  
I ask'd him what he ail'd;  
He said he was going to his father's funeral,  
Who died seven years before he was born!  
{His father was a dyer}

\*\*\*

I am a little red animal  
As busy as can be,  
I'm gathering some acorns  
For winter food for me.  
{A squirrel}



\*\*\*

I've got a long bushy tail,  
Two bright little eyes.  
I gather up acorns.  
I'm pretty and wise.  
{A squirrel}



\*\*\*

I had a little sister,  
They called her Pretty Peep;  
She wades in the waters,  
Deep, deep, deep!  
She climbs up the mountains,  
High, high, high;  
My poor little sister,  
She has but one eye.  
{A star}



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All which begin with W.  
And eke three which begin with M  
{Woman wants wit. Man much more}

\*\*\*

A house full, a yard full,  
And ye can't catch a bowl full.  
{Smoke}

\*\*\*

There was a man went over the Wash,  
Grizzle grey was his horse;  
Bent was his saddle-bow:  
I've told you his name three times,  
And yet you don't know!  
{Was}

\*\*\*

As I was going o'er L. bridge,  
I met a drove of guinea pigs;  
They were nick'd and they were nack'd,  
And they were all yellow back'd.  
{A swarm of bees}



\*\*\*

Higher than a house, higher than a tree;  
Oh! whatever can that be?  
{A star}

\*\*\*

Which weighs heavier —  
A stone of lead  
Or a stone of feather?  
{They both weigh alike}

\*\*\*

Jackatawad ran over the moor,  
Never behind, but always before!  
{The ignis fatuus, or Will o' the Wisp}

\*\*\*

Hitty Pitty within the wall,  
Hitty Pitty without the wall:  
If you touch Hitty Pitty,  
Hitty Pitty will bite you  
{A nettle}

\*\*\*

I saw a fight the other day;  
A damsel did begin the fray.  
She with her daily friend did meet,  
Then standing in the open street;  
She gave such hard and sturdy blows,  
He bled ten gallons at the nose;  
Yet neither seem to faint nor fall,  
Nor gave her any abuse at all.  
{A pump}

\*\*\*

I've whiskers,  
I'm frisky.  
Whisk, little mice,  
Lest I should catch you!  
Please stroke my back,  
I'll purr and won't scratch you.  
{A cat}



\*\*\*

Into my house came neighbour John,  
 With three legs and a wooden one;  
 If one be taken from the same,  
 Then just five there will remain.  
 {He had a IV legged stool with him, and taking  
 away the left-hand numeral, there remains V}



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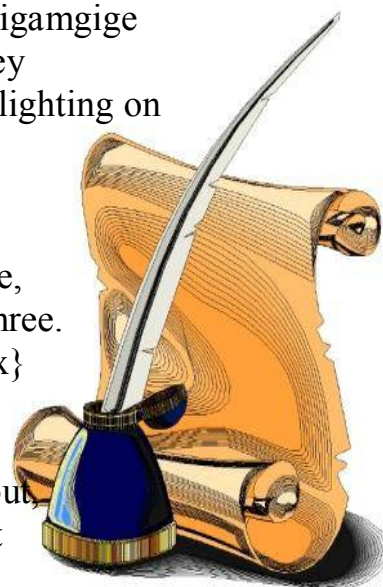
As I went through my houter touter,  
 Houter touter, verly;  
 I see one Mr. Higamgige  
 Come over the hill of Parley.  
 But if I had my carly verly,  
 Carly verly verly;  
 I would have bine met with Mr. Higamgige  
 Come over the hill of Parley  
 {A man going over a hill, and a fly lighting on  
 his head}

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The calf, the goose, the bee,  
 The world is ruled by these three.  
 {Parchment, pens, and wax}

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Black within, and red without,  
 Four corners round about  
 {A chimney}



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The first letter of our fore-fadyr,  
 A worker of wax,  
 An I and an N;  
 The colour of an ass:  
 And what have you then?  
 {Abindon}

\*\*\*

At the end of my yard there is a vat,  
 Four-and-twenty ladies dancing in that:  
 Some in green gowns, and some with blue hat:  
 He is a wise man who can tell me that.  
 {A field of flax}



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Lilly low, lilly low, set up on an end,  
See little baby go out at town end.  
{A candle}

\*\*\*

There was a man rode through our town,  
Gray Grizzle was his name;  
His saddle-bow was gilt with gold;  
Three times I've named his name.  
{Gaffer Was}

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Black'm, saut'm, rough'm, glower'm, saw,  
Click'm, gatt'm, flaug'm into girnigaw.  
{Eating a sloe}



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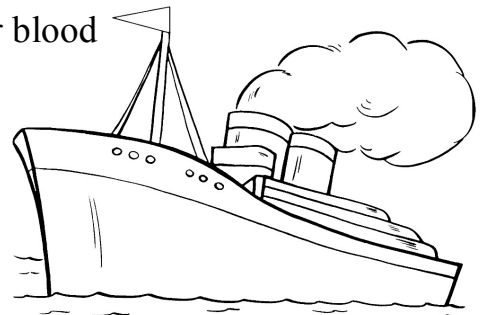
A water there is I must pass,  
A broader water never was;  
And yet of all waters I ever did see,  
To pass over with less jeopardy  
{The dew}

\*\*\*

I am become of flesh and blood,  
As other creatures be;  
Yet there's neither flesh nor blood  
Doth remain in me.  
I make kings that they fall out,  
I make them agree;  
And yet there's neither flesh nor blood  
Doth remain in me.  
{A pen}

\*\*\*

Over the water,  
And under the water,  
And always with its head down!  
{A nail in the bottom of a ship}



\*\*\*

Two legs sat upon three legs,  
 With four legs standing by;  
 Four then were drawn by ten:  
 Read my riddle ye can't,  
 However much ye try  
 { An amplification of the above, the milkmaid  
 of course sitting on a three-legged stool }



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As I went over Hottery Tottery,  
 I looked into Harbora Lilly;  
 I spied a cutterell  
 Playing with her cambril.  
 I cryed, Ho, neighbour, ho!  
 Lend me your cue and your goe,  
 To shoot at yonder cutterell  
 Playing with her cambril,  
 And you shall have the curle of her loe.  
 {A man calling to his neighbour for a gun to  
 shoot a deer, and he should have her humbles }

\*\*\*

There was a little green house,  
 And in the little green house  
 There was a little brown house,  
 And in the little brown house  
 There was a little yellow house,  
 And in the little yellow house  
 There was a little white house,  
 And in the little white house  
 There was a little heart.  
 {A walnut }



\*\*\*

As I was going o'er L. bridge,  
 I heard something crack;  
 Not a man in all England  
 Can mend that!  
 {Ice }



\*\*\*

There was a king met a king  
 In a straight lane;  
 Says the king to the king,  
 Where have you been?  
 I've been in the wood,  
 Hunting the doe:  
 Pray lend me your dog,  
 That I may do so.  
 Call him, call him!  
 What must I call him?  
 Call him as you and I,  
 We've done both

{ The dog's name was Been, and the name of  
 the persons who met each other was King }

\*\*\*

As I look'd out o' my chamber window,  
 I heard something fall;  
 I sent my maid to pick it up.  
 But she couldn't pick it all.  
 {Snuff}

# COUNTING RHYMES

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One, two, three,  
B is for bee. One, two,  
The bee is near you.  
Don't cry, Don't speak,  
Play hide-and-peek!



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How many ducklings  
Can you see?  
Quack, quack, quack –  
One, two, three!

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Even numbers:  
Two, four, six;  
Odd numbers  
I can mix.  
Three, five, one  
It is fun!



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I've got a hen  
Who says,  
«Cluck, cluck,  
It's a golden egg,  
Good luck, luck, luck!»  
One, two,  
This egg is for you!

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Innie, minnie, «Old Inn»,  
Count quickly and come in.  
One, two, three, four,  
Open the door!

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Mother, father,  
Sister, brother.  
One, two, three, four,  
We're the family of four!



\*\*\*

Who is the King of Hearts?  
Sam.  
Who is the Queen of Hearts?  
Pam.  
One, two,  
The Knave of Hearts will be you!

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Polly has two puppies,  
Peter has one,  
Pam has a parrot  
And I have none.

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Quarter to one –  
Skipping is fun.  
Quarter to three –  
Play tag with me.  
Quarter past eight –  
Leap-frog is great!  
Quarter past nine –  
Say bye-bye!

\*\*\*

Sister Molly  
Pushed a trolley.  
One, two, three, four,  
All the sweets are on the floor.

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One to ten and then again,  
Ten umbrellas like the rain.  
Ten umbrellas jump and run,  
Out goes number one!

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Xmas pudding, Xmas tree,  
Xmas time is gay and free.  
Xmas bells sing «ding-dong»,  
It's a merry Xmas song!





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One, two, three, four, five,  
I caught a fish alive.  
Six, seven, eight, nine, ten,  
I let him go again.  
O-U-T spells out goes you!



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One wave  
Up and down,  
Two waves –  
Gold crown,  
Three waves –  
I can see  
A mermaid princess  
In the sea!

\*\*\*

One for sorrow,  
two for joy,  
three for a girl,  
for for a boy,  
five for silver,  
six for gold,  
seven for a secret,  
never to be told,  
eight for a wish,  
nine for a kiss,  
ten for a time  
of joyous bliss.



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Bee, a bee, a bumblebee  
Stung a man upon his knee  
And a hog upon his snout,  
I'll be dogged if you ain't out

\*\*\*

If you guess  
Say «yes».  
If you don't know  
Say «no».  
If you doubt  
Go out!



\*\*\*

One, two, three, four  
 Can I have a little more?  
 Five, six, seven, eight  
 Put some candies on my plate

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Hinx, minx, the old witch winks,  
 The cat begins to fry,  
 Nobody's home but  
 Jumping Joan Father, mother, and I  
 Stick, stock, stone dead.  
 Blind men can't see,  
 Every knave will have a slave,  
 You and I must be he!

\*\*\*

One for sorrow, two for mirth,  
 Three for a wedding, four for a birth,  
 Five for silver, six for gold,  
 Seven for a secret not to be told.  
 Eight for heaven, nine for hell,  
 And ten for the devil's own sell'

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Thumb's a sturdy Thergerim,  
 Pointer's noble Human king,  
 Longelf stands so proud and tall,  
 Ringer sings like Halflings small,  
 Baby is a Brownie wee,  
 Clap your hands and tickle me!



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Intry, mintry, cutry, corn  
 Apple seed and apple thorn  
 Wire, briar, limber, lock  
 Five geese in a flock  
 One flew east, one flew west,  
 and one flew over the cuckoo's nest  
 Out, with a dirty dishcloth, out!

\*\*\*

Rope goes up and rope goes down,  
 Swing it, swing it, round an' round,  
 Point yer toes and touch yer knees,  
 Lift yer skirts, and jump as ye please



\*\*\*

A cuckoo clock  
 Says «tick-tock».  
 Who says « cuckoo »  
 You know too!

\*\*\*

A Prayday child is rebel or flirt,  
 While a Washday child loves earth  
 and dirt.

Payday's babe in his purse hath a  
 hole,  
 Midsday's child seeks things of the  
 soul.

On Gamesday born - will never win,  
 Bakeday birth fates a child too thin -  
 But a Fastday tot will surely thrive,  
 Double chins ere he comes to wive.

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Rain, rain, go away!  
 Come again another day  
 Little Suzie wants to play!



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One, two, three,  
 Let me see,  
 You all like coffee  
 And I like tea

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Inka Binka bottle of ink,  
 The cork fell off and you stink,  
 Not because you're dirty,  
 Not because you're clean,  
 Just because ya kissed a (boy or girl)  
 Behind a magazine and You are it.



\*\*\*

Lavender's blue, dilly, dilly,  
Lavender's green;  
When I'm king, dilly, dilly,  
You shall be Queen

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One for sadness, two for mirth;  
Three for marriage, four for birth;  
Five for laughing, six for crying:  
Seven for sickness, eight for dying;  
Nine for silver, ten for gold;  
Eleven a secret that will never be  
told.

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And I'll give you some bread  
And some milk by and by;  
Or perhaps you like custard,  
Or maybe a tart,  
Then to either you're welcome  
With all of my heart

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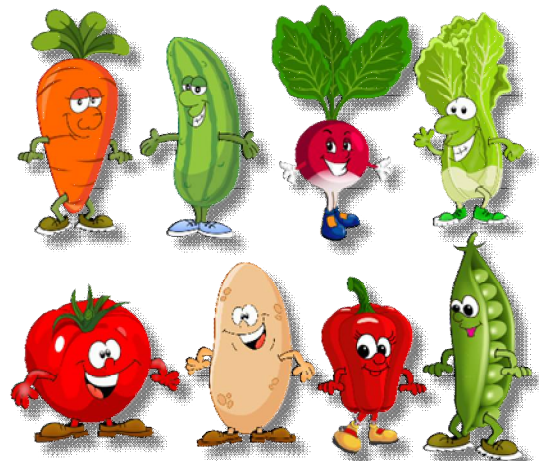
Carrot, cabbage, and potato,  
Spinach, radish and tomato,  
All live in freedom,  
In the vegetable kingdom

\*\*\*

I know a worried glow-worm  
I wonder what the matter is?  
He seems so glum and gloomy  
Perhaps he needs new batteries!

\*\*\*

Nine baby birds  
Live in the nest,  
Nine baby birds  
Wait for a guest.  
It's not you,  
It's not me.  
Who knows  
Climb the tree!





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One, two, three, four, five,  
Five fish like to dive.  
One fish told me,  
«Let's play in the sea!»

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Warlock whisper  
Coffins creak  
Tombstones tumble  
Spirits speak  
Phantoms frolic  
Monsters moan  
Serpents slither  
Gremlins groan  
Crones cackle  
Demons dance  
Am I staying?  
Not a chance!

\*\*\*

Granny's goose  
Wears the shoes.  
The shoes are red and stout.  
Who goes out?  
One, two,  
Out go you!

\*\*\*

Little Miss Tucket  
Sits on a bucket  
Eating her peaches and cream.  
Then comes a grasshopper  
And tries to stop her.  
But she says, "Go away or I'll  
scream!"

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Lady Lemon goes out,  
Sir Plum is black and round,  
Miss Cherry is sweet,  
You are the first to eat!





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This STICK will TELL the ONE we  
CHOOSE  
To BE the LORD in SHINing  
SHOES  
To RULE LANDS both NEAR and  
FAR  
The STICK says YOU will BE King  
THAR!

\*\*\*

One slice of onion,  
Two slices of bread,  
Three slices of sausage –  
It won't be bad!

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Rain, rain, all the day,  
On the grass and on the lane,  
On my cheeks and on my nose  
But not on my rose!

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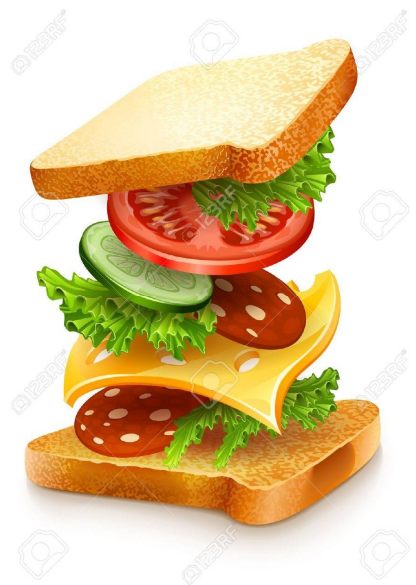
One, two. How are you?  
Three, four. Who's at the door?  
Five, six. My name is Fix.  
Seven, eight. Sorry, I'm late.  
Nine, ten. Say it again.

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Five o'clock –  
Time for tea.  
Take your mug  
And come to me!

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One, two, three, four, five,  
I am your valentine!  
«I love you with all my heart»,  
Says my valentine card!



\*\*\*

One for death and two for birth,  
 Three for wind and four for earth,  
 Five for fire, six for rain,  
 Seven's joy and eight is pain,  
 Nine to go, ten back again!



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And it's one, two, three,  
 What are we fighting for?  
 Don't ask me, I don't give a damn,  
 Next stop is Vietnam;  
 And it's five, six, seven,  
 Open up the pearly gates,  
 Well there ain't no time to wonder  
 why  
 Whoopee! we're all gonna die.

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How many zebras  
 Can you see?  
 Mummy, daddy, baby –  
 One, two, three!

\*\*\*

One, Two, Buckle My Shoe  
 1... 2... Buckle my shoe  
 3... 4... Knock at the door  
 5... 6... Pick up sticks  
 7... 8... Lay them straight  
 9... 10... A big fat hen  
 11... 12... Dig and delve  
 13... 14... Maids a-courting  
 15... 16... Maids in the kitchen  
 17... 18... Maids a-waiting  
 19... 20... I've had plenty!

\*\*\*

Eeny, meeny, miney, moe  
 Catch a tiger by his toe,  
 If he squeals, let him go,  
 Eeny, meeny, miney, moe





\*\*\*

Jane says,  
«I choose jelly».  
Jake says,  
«I choose cherry».  
If you choose jam  
Count again!

\*\*\*

One potato, two potatoes,  
Three potatoes, four,  
Five potatoes, six potatoes,  
Seven potatoes more.

\*\*\*

One, two, buckle my shoe  
Three, four, close the door  
Five, six, pick up sticks  
Seven, eight, close the gate  
Nine, ten, home again

\*\*\*

One, two, three, four,  
Mary at the cottage door,  
Five, six, seven, eight  
Eating cherries off a plate

\*\*\*

He'll LEAVE me  
He'll LOVE me  
He'll BED me  
He'll WED me.  
He'll LEAVE me  
He'll LOVE me...

\*\*\*

Merry are the bells,  
And merry would they ring,  
Merry was myself  
And merry could I sing;  
With a merry ding-dong,  
Happy, gay and free  
And a merry sing-song,  
Happy let us be





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One-have some fun,  
 Two-I like you,  
 Three-watch TV,  
 Four-run to the door,  
 Five-learn to drive  
 Six-learn to fix,  
 Seven-jump seven,  
 Eight-don't be late,  
 Nine-feel fine,  
 Ten-say it again!



\*\*\*

Eenie, meenie, minie, mo,  
 Catch a tiger by his toe.  
 If he hollers, make him pay  
 Fifty dollars every day.  
 My Mother says to pick this one;  
 O-U-T spells out goes you,  
 Right in the middle of the red, white  
 and blue.

\*\*\*

Rope goes up and rope goes down,  
 Swing it, swing it, round an' round,  
 (Ana) run out and (Maevie) run in,  
 Gimme a kiss an' I'll give ye a pin

\*\*\*

Under the ocean, green and deep  
 Lie the fishes fast asleep,  
 Under the arm and over the shoe,  
 Tap on the head, and out goes YOU!

\*\*\*

This little pig had roast beef,  
 This little pig had none,  
 And this little pig cried: "Wee-wee-  
 wee",  
 All the way home





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Their wings were blue  
And they sang “Tilly-loo”,  
Till away they flew

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Cuckoo, cuckoo, cherry tree  
Catch a bird and give it me  
Let the tree high or low  
Let it hail or rain or snow

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Ssssh! Can you hear a roar?  
Someone’s on the trail...  
That’s lion, and he wants to know  
Do you have a tail?



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A B C D E F G  
come on out and play with me.  
H I J  
come and play.  
K L M  
come with them.  
N O P  
near the tree.  
Q R S T U V  
Oh, how happy we will be.  
W X Y Z  
Lot's of fun for you and me

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So I reached for hip-hop cap  
Got into egg-leg tap  
Broke into laughing rap

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“A toffee, perhaps”, I suggested  
“Or a teapot or even your tie,  
Or some toast or a thread...”  
But he shook his gray head  
As a tear trickled out of an eye

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Eeny, weeny, winey, wo,  
Where do all the Frenchmen go?  
To the east and to the west,  
And into the old crow's nest.



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1, and 2, and 3, and 4  
I am sitting on the floor  
I am playing with a ball  
And a pretty little doll

\*\*\*

Twinkle, twinkle, little star.  
How I wonder what you are! Up  
above the world so high,  
Like a diamond in the sky.

\*\*\*

One, two. How are you?  
Three, four. Who's at the door?  
Five, six. My name is Fix.  
Nine, ten. Say it again.

\*\*\*

Tomatoes and Carrots  
Cabbage and Beans  
Look so yummy  
All red and green.



\*\*\*

Ten little nigger boys went out to  
dine;  
One choked his little self, and then  
there were nine.  
Nine little nigger boys sat up very  
late;  
One overslept himself, and then there  
were eight.  
Kight little nigger boys travelling in  
Devon;  
One said he'd stay there, and then  
there were seven.  
Seven little nigger boys chopping up



sticks;  
 One chopped himself in half, and  
 then there were six.  
 Six little nigger boys playing with a  
 hive;  
 A bumble-bee stung one, and then  
 there were five.  
 Five little nigger boys going in for  
 law;  
 One got in chancery, and then there  
 were four.  
 Four little nigger boys going out to  
 sea;  
 A red herring swallowed one, and  
 then there were three.  
 Three little nigger boys walking in  
 the Zoo;  
 A big bear hugged one, and then  
 there were two.  
 Two little nigger boys sitting in the  
 sun;  
 One got frizzled up, and then there  
 was one.  
 One little nigger boy left all alone;  
 He went out and hanged himself and  
 then there were None.

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Higletty, pigglety, pop!  
 The dog has eaten the mop;  
 The pig's in a hurry,  
 The cat's in a flurry,  
 Higletty, pigglety, pop!

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Hey diddle, diddle,  
 The cat and the fiddle,  
 The cow jumped over the moon;  
 The little dog laughed  
 To see such sport,  
 And the dish ran away with the  
 spoon.



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Little Tom Tittlemouse  
Lived in a bell-house;  
The bell-house broke,  
And Tom Tittlemouse woke



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Gilly Silly Jarter,  
She lost her garter,  
In a shower of rain.  
The miller found it,  
The miller ground it,  
And the miller gave it to Silly again.

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Three blind mice,  
Three blind mice,  
See how they run!  
See how they run!  
They all ran after the farmer's wife,  
Who cut off their tails,  
With a carving knife.  
Did you ever see such a thing in your  
life,  
As three blind mice.



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One little, two little, three little  
Indians  
Four little, five little, six little  
Indians  
Seven little, eight little, nine little  
Indians  
Ten little Indian boys.  
Ten little, nine little, eight little  
Indians  
Seven little, six little, five little  
Indians  
Four little, three little, two little  
Indians  
One little Indian boy.



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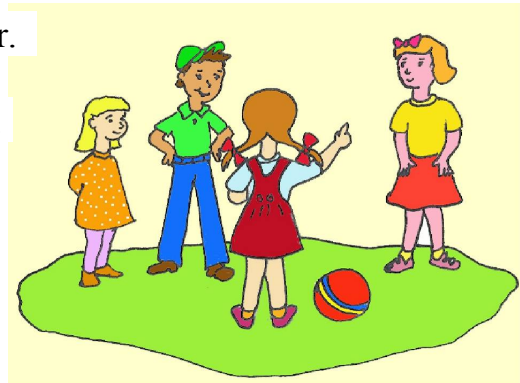
Tinker, Tailor,  
Soldier, Sailor,  
Rich Man, Poor Man,  
Beggar Man, Thief.

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Dip Dip Dip  
My blue ship  
Sailing on the water  
Like a cup and saucer,  
But you are not in IT

\*\*\*

Own, two,  
I love you.  
Three, four,  
Touch the floor.  
Five, six,  
Mix and mix.  
Seven, eight,  
It is great.  
Nine, ten,  
Play again.



\*\*\*

Buttons, a farthing a pair,  
Come, who will buy them of me?  
They are round and sound and pretty,  
And fit for the girls of the city.  
Come, who will buy them of me?  
Buttons, a farthing a pair.

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Ickle, Pickle, Puckle, Buckle,  
Shuckle in my shoe.  
Mickle, Muckle, Nickle, Nuckle,  
Out go you.

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Out goes the rat,  
Out goes the cat,  
Out goes the lady  
With a big blue hat.

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Jump, jump, jump,  
 Jump far away;  
 And all come home  
 Some other day.



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This old man, he played one,  
 He played knick-knack on my thumb.  
 With a knick-knack, paddy whack,  
 Give a dog a bone,  
 This old man came rolling home.

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Cindereller, dressed in yeller  
 Went upstairs to kiss her feller  
 Made a mistake and kissed a snake  
 Came downstairs with a bellyache  
 How many doctors did it take?  
 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8!



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Ip dip do  
 The cat's got the flu  
 The monkey's got the chicken-pox  
 So out goes you /  
 Not because you're dirty  
 Not because you're clean  
 My mum says you're out of the  
 football team.

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Ippa dippa dation,  
 My operation,  
 How many people are waiting at the  
 station?

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One, two, three, four, five,  
 I am flying in the sky.  
 I am a toy aeroplane,  
 My name starts with A!



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Apples, peaches, pears and plums  
Tell me when your birthday comes.

\*\*\*

One-have some fun,  
Two-I like you,  
Three-watch TV,  
Four-run to the door,  
Five-learn to drive  
Six-learn to fix,  
Seven-jump seven,  
Eight-dont' be late,  
Nine-feel fine,  
Ten-say it again!

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Racing car, number five,  
Losing petrol all the time.  
How many gallons did he lose?

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One little bee blew and flew.  
He met a friend,  
and that made two.  
Two little bees, busy as could be —  
Along came another  
and that made three.  
Three little bees, wanted one more,  
Found one soon  
and that made four.  
Four little bees, going to the hive.  
Spied their little brother,  
and that made five.  
Five little bees working every hour  
— Buzz away, bees,  
and find another flower.



\*\*\*

The cat says meow  
The sheep says baa-baa  
The little pig says wee-wee  
The frog says crook-crook  
The hen says cluck-cluck  
The cock says cock-a-doodle -do.



\*\*\*

Ickle ockle, blue bockle,  
Fishes in the sea,  
If you want a pretty maid,  
Please choose me.

\*\*\*

One, two, three,  
One, two, three,  
I love my mummy  
and mummy loves me! ♪

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I am a mouse,  
You are a cat;  
One, two, three –  
You catch me! ♪

\*\*\*

One, one, one,  
little dogs run,  
Two, two, two,  
Cats see you.  
Three, three, three,  
Birds in a tree.  
Four, four, four,  
Rats on the floor.





# TONGUE TWISTS

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Pretty Kitty Creighton had a cotton batten cat.  
The cotton batten cat was bitten by a rat.  
The kitten that was bitten had a button for an eye,  
And biting off the button made the cotton batten fly.

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Say this sharply, say this sweetly,  
Say this shortly, say this softly.  
Say this sixteen times in succession.

\*\*\*

Betty Botter  
Betty Botter  
bought some butter.  
"But," she said,  
"the butter's bitter.  
If I put it  
in my batter,  
it will make  
my batter bitter.  
But a bit  
of better butter--  
that would make  
my batter better."  
So she bought  
a bit of butter,  
better than  
her bitter butter.  
And she put it  
in her batter,  
and the batter  
was not bitter.  
So 'twas better  
Betty Botter  
bought a bit  
of better butter!



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A sunshiny shower  
Shows us its power.  
Find a shed for an hour!

\*\*\*

Whenever the weather is cold.  
Whenever the weather is hot.  
We'll whether the weather,  
whatever the weather,  
whether we like it or not.



\*\*\*

A twister of twists once twisted a twist.  
and the twist that he twisted was a three twisted twist.  
now in twisting this twist, if a twist should untwist,  
would the twist that untwisted untwist the twists.

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She sells sea shells by the sea shore.  
The shells she sells are surely seashells.  
So if she sells shells on the seashore,  
I'm sure she sells seashore shells

\*\*\*

If you stick a stock of liquor in your locker  
it is slick to stick a lock upon your stock  
or some joker who is slicker  
is going to trick you of your liquor  
if you fail to lock your liquor with a lock.

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Sister Suzie sewing shirts for soldiers  
Such skill as sewing shirts  
Our shy young sister Suzie shows  
Some soldiers send epistles  
Say they'd rather sleep in thistles  
Than the saucy, soft short shirts for soldiers Sister Suzie sews.

\*\*\*

Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers.  
A peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked.  
If Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers,  
Where's the peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked?





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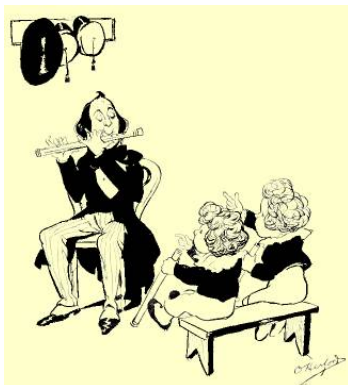
Swan swam over the sea,  
Swim, swan, swim!  
Swan swam back again  
Well swum, swan!

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King Thistle stuck a thousand thistles in the thistle of his thumb.  
A thousand thistles King Thistle stuck in the thistle of his thumb.  
If King Thistle stuck a thousand thistles in the thistle of his thumb,  
How many thistles did King Thistle stick in the thistle of his thumb?

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I am a mother pheasant plucker,  
I pluck mother pheasants.  
I am the best mother pheasant plucker,  
that ever plucked a mother pheasant!



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A Tudor who tooted the flute  
tried to tutor two tooters to toot.  
Said the two to the tutor,  
«Is it harder to toot or  
to tutor two tooters to toot?»

\*\*\*

How much wood could a woodchuck chuck  
if a woodchuck could chuck wood?  
A woodchuck could chuck as much wood  
as a woodchuck would chuck  
if a woodchuck could chuck wood.

\*\*\*

Through three cheese trees three free fleas flew.  
While these fleas flew, freezy breeze blew.  
Freezy breeze made these three trees freeze.  
Freezy trees made these trees' cheese freeze.  
That's what made these three free fleas sneeze.

\*\*\*

How much ground would a groundhog hog,  
if a groundhog could hog ground?  
A groundhog would hog all the ground he could hog,  
if a groundhog could hog ground.



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To sit in solemn silence in a dull, dark dock,  
 In a pestilential prison, with a life-long lock,  
 Awaiting the sensation of a short, sharp shock,  
 From a cheap and chippy chopper on a big black block!  
 To sit in solemn silence in a dull, dark dock,  
 In a pestilential prison, with a life-long lock,  
 Awaiting the sensation of a short, sharp shock,  
 From a cheap and chippy chopper on a big black block!  
 A dull, dark dock, a life-long lock,  
 A short, sharp shock, a big black block!  
 To sit in solemn silence in a pestilential prison,  
 And awaiting the sensation  
 From a cheap and chippy chopper on a big black block!

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Luke Luck likes lakes.  
 Luke's duck likes lakes.  
 Luke Luck licks lakes.  
 Luck's duck licks lakes.  
 Duck takes licks in lakes Luke Luck likes.  
 Luke Luck takes licks in lakes duck likes.  
 from Dr. Seuss' Fox in Socks



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One-one was a race horse.  
 Two-two was one too.  
 One-one won one race.  
 Two-two won one too.

\*\*\*

How many cookies could a good cook cook  
 If a good cook could cook cookies?  
 A good cook could cook as much cookies  
 as a good cook who could cook cookies.

\*\*\*

Mary Mac's mother's making Mary Mac marry me.  
 My mother's making me marry Mary Mac.  
 Will I always be so Merry when Mary's taking care of me?  
 Will I always be so merry when I marry Mary Mac?



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Birdie birdie in the sky laid a turdie in my eye.  
If cows could fly I'd have a cow pie in my eye.

\*\*\*

How many cans can a cannibal nibble  
if a cannibal can nibble cans?  
As many cans as a cannibal can nibble  
if a cannibal can nibble cans.

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Bobby Bippy bought a bat.  
Bobby Bippy bought a ball.  
With his bat Bob banged the ball  
Banged it bump against the wall  
But so boldly Bobby banged it  
That he burst his rubber ball  
"Boo!" cried Bobby  
Bad luck ball  
Bad luck Bobby, bad luck ball  
Now to drown his many troubles  
Bobby Bippy's blowing bubbles.

\*\*\*

Why do you cry, Willy?  
Why do you cry?  
Why, Willy?  
Why, Willy?  
Why, Willy? Why?

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How many berries could a bare berry carry,  
if a bare berry could carry berries?  
Well they can't carry berries  
(which could make you very wary)  
but a bare berry carried is more scary!

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Yellow butter, purple jelly, red jam, black bread.  
Spread it thick, say it quick!  
Yellow butter, purple jelly, red jam, black bread.  
Spread it thicker, say it quicker!  
Yellow butter, purple jelly, red jam, black bread.  
Don't eat with your mouth full!

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Mo mi mo me send me a toe,  
 Me me mo mi get me a mole,  
 Mo mi mo me send me a toe,  
 Fe me mo mi get me a mole,  
 Mister kister feet so sweet,  
 Mister kister where will I eat !?



\*\*\*

A tree toad loved a she-toad,  
 Who lived up in a tree.  
 He was a three-toed tree toad,  
 But a two-toed toad was she.  
 The three-toed tree toad tried to win,  
 The two-toed she-toad's heart,  
 For the three-toed tree toad loved the ground,  
 That the two-toed tree toad trod.  
 But the three-toed tree toad tried in vain.  
 He couldn't please her whim.  
 From her tree toad bower,  
 With her two-toed power,  
 The she-toad vetoed him.



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One smart fellow, he felt smart.  
 Two smart fellows, they felt smart.  
 Three smart fellows, they felt smart.  
 Four smart fellows, they felt smart.  
 Five smart fellows, they felt smart.  
 Six smart fellows, they felt smart.

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Of all the felt I ever felt,  
 I never felt a piece of felt  
 which felt as fine as that felt felt,  
 when first I felt that felt hat's felt.

\*\*\*

Knife and a fork bottle and a cork  
 that is the way you spell New York.  
 Chicken in the car and the car can go,  
 that is the way you spell Chicago.



\*\*\*

But a harder thing still to do.  
 What a to do to die today  
 At a quarter or two to two.  
 A terrible difficult thing to say  
 But a harder thing still to do.  
 The dragon will come at the beat of the drum  
 With a rat-a-tat-tat a-tat-tat a-tat-to  
 At a quarter or two to two today,  
 At a quarter or two to two.

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A fly and flea flew into a flue,  
 said the fly to the flea 'what shall we do?'  
 'let us fly' said the flea  
 said the fly 'shall we flee'  
 so they flew through a flaw in the flue.



\*\*\*

How much dew does a dewdrop drop  
 If dewdrops do drop dew?  
 They do drop, they do  
 As do dewdrops drop  
 If dewdrops do drop dew.

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I'm a sheet slitter.  
 I slit sheets.  
 I'm the sleekest sheet slitter  
 that ever slit sheets.

\*\*\*

A twister of twists once twisted a twist.  
 and the twist that he twisted was a three-twisted twist.  
 now in twisting this twist,  
 if a twist should untwist,  
 would the twist that untwisted untwist the twists?

\*\*\*

I am not a pheasant plucker,  
 I'm a pheasant plucker's son  
 but I'll be plucking pheasants  
 When the pheasant plucker's gone.





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Suzie, Suzie, working in a shoeshine shop.  
 All day long she sits and shines,  
 all day long she shines and sits,  
 and sits and shines, and shines and sits,  
 and sits and shines, and shines and sits.

Suzie, Suzie, working in a shoeshine shop.

Tommy, Tommy, toiling in a tailor's shop.

All day long he fits and tucks,  
 all day long he tucks and fits,

and fits and tucks, and tucks and fits,  
 and fits and tucks, and tucks and fits.

Tommy, Tommy, toiling in a tailor's shop.



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Whether the weather be fine  
 or whether the weather be not.

Whether the weather be cold  
 or whether the weather be hot.

We'll weather the weather  
 whether we like it or not.

\*\*\*

If you stick a stock of liquor in your locker  
 it is slick to stick a lock upon your stock  
 or some joker who is slicker  
 is going to trick you of your liquor  
 if you fail to lock your liquor with a lock.

\*\*\*

Admidst the mists and coldest frosts,  
 With stoutest wrists and loudest boasts,  
 He thrusts his fists against the posts,  
 And still insists he sees the ghosts

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The bottle of perfume that Willy sent  
 was highly displeasing to Millicent.  
 Her thanks were so cold  
 that they quarreled, I'm told  
 o'er that silly scent Willy sent Millicent



\*\*\*

Sister Suzie sewing shirts for soldiers  
 Such skill as sewing shirts  
 Our shy young sister Suzie shows  
 Some soldiers send epistles  
 Say they'd rather sleep in thistles  
 Than the saucy, soft short shirts for soldiers Sister Suzie sews.



\*\*\*

Tie a knot, tie a knot.  
 Tie a tight, tight knot.  
 Tie a knot in the shape of a nought

\*\*\*

Moses supposes his toeses are roses,  
 but Moses supposes erroneously.  
 For Moses, he knowses his toeses aren't roses,  
 as Moses supposes his toeses to be.

\*\*\*

King Thistle stuck a thousand thistles in the thistle of his thumb.  
 A thousand thistles King Thistle stuck in the thistle of his thumb.  
 If King Thistle stuck a thousand thistles in the thistle of his thumb,  
 How many thistles did King Thistle stick in the thistle of his thumb?

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The Leith police dismisseth us  
 They thought we sought to stay;  
 The Leith police dismisseth us  
 They thought we'd stay all day.  
 The Leith police dismisseth us,  
 We both sighed sighs apiece;  
 And the sighs that we sighed as we said goodbye  
 Were the size of the Leith police.

\*\*\*

Oh, the sadness of her sadness when she's sad.  
 Oh, the gladness of her gladness when she's glad.  
 But the sadness of her sadness,  
 and the gladness of her gladness,  
 Are nothing like her madness when she's mad!

\*\*\*

Tricky Tristan tracked a trail of tiny turtles.  
 How many tiny turtles did Tricky Tristan track?  
 Tricky Tristan tracked twenty two tiny turtles;  
 that's how many tiny turtles tricky Tristan tracked.



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A maid named Lady Marmalade  
 made mainly lard and lemonade.  
 M'lady lamely never made  
 a well-named, labelled marmalade.

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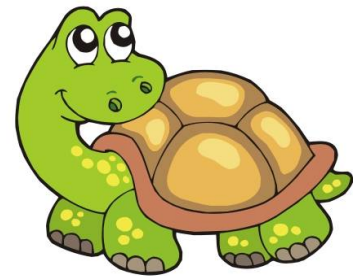
Now the trees are all groaning in growling, rough gales  
 That with thuds and hoarse roaring roll raging around!  
 Such leaf-rousing, branch-ruining, ripping, raw wails,  
 Such a terrible, thrashing and tree-wrecking sound!

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Billy Button bought a buttered biscuit,  
 did Billy Button buy a buttered biscuit?  
 If Billy Button bought a buttered biscuit,  
 Where's the buttered biscuit Billy Button bought ??

\*\*\*

Mr. See owned a saw.  
 And Mr. Soar owned a seesaw.  
 Now See's saw sawed Soar's seesaw  
 Before Soar saw See,  
 Which made Soar sore.  
 Had Soar seen See's saw  
 Before See sawed Soar's seesaw,  
 See's saw would not have sawed  
 Soar's seesaw.  
 So See's saw sawed Soar's seesaw.  
 But it was sad to see Soar so sore  
 Just because See's saw sawed  
 Soar's seesaw!



\*\*\*

I cannot bear to see a bear  
 Bear down upon a hare.  
 When bare of hair he strips the hare,  
 Right there I cry, "Forbear!"



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Silly Sally swiftly shooed seven silly sheep.  
 The seven silly sheep Silly Sally shooed  
 shilly-shallied south.  
 These sheep shouldn't sleep in a shack;  
 sheep should sleep in a shed.

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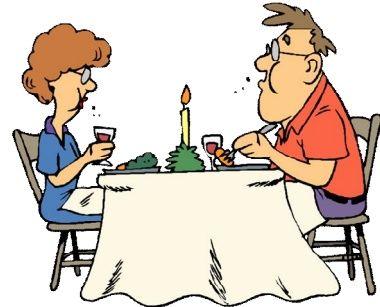
You've no need to light a night-light  
 On a light night like tonight,  
 For a night-light's light's a slight light,  
 And tonight's a night that's light.  
 When a night's light, like tonight's light,  
 It is really not quite right  
 To light night-lights with their slight lights  
 On a light night like tonight.

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I thought a thought.  
 But the thought I thought wasn't the thought  
 I thought I thought.

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If a white chalk chalks  
 On a black blackboard,  
 Will a black chalk chalk  
 On a white blackboard?



\*\*\*

I know a boy named Tate  
 who dined with his girl at eight eight.  
 I'm unable to state what Tate ate at eight eight  
 or what Tate's tête à tête ate at eight eight.

\*\*\*

One-one was a race horse.  
 Two-two was one too.  
 One-one won one race.  
 Two-two won one too.

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One fly flies, two flies fly.  
 One girl cries, four girls cry.

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How many boards could the Mongols hoard  
if the Mongol hoards got bored?



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Denise sees the fleece,  
Denise sees the fleas.  
At least Denise could sneeze  
and feed and freeze the fleas.

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A big black bug bit the big black bear,  
but the big black bear bit the big black bug back!

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Can you imagine an imaginary menagerie manager  
imagining managing an imaginary menagerie?



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Love's a feeling you feel  
when you feel you're going to feel  
the feeling you've never felt before.

\*\*\*

But a harder thing still to do.  
What a to do to die today At a quarter or two to two.  
A terrible difficult thing to say But a harder thing still to do.  
The dragon will come at the beat of the drum With a rat-a-tat-tat a-tat-tat a-tat-to  
At a quarter or two to two today, At a quarter or two to two.

\*\*\*

Kanta is a masai girl,  
she can tie a tie and untie a tie,  
if kanta can tie a tie and untie a tie,  
why can't I tie a tie and untie a tie?

\*\*\*

Fresh fried fish, Fish fresh fried,  
Fried fish fresh, Fish fried fresh I tried.

\*\*\*

I wish to wish, I dream to dream, I try to try,  
and I live to live, and I'd die to die, and I cry to cry but I dont know why.



\*\*\*

Dr. Johnson and Mr. Johnson, after great consideration,  
came to the conclusion that the Indian nation  
beyond the Indian Ocean is back in education  
because the chief occupation is cultivation.

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As he gobbled the cakes on his plate,  
the greedy ape said as he ate,  
the greener green grapes are,  
the keener keen apes are to gobble green grape cakes,  
they're great!



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A big black bug  
bit a big black dog  
on his big black nose!

\*\*\*

Show me a showered  
and shampooed sheep  
and I'll show you  
a sheep in sharp shape

\*\*\*

When a doctor doctors a doctor,  
does the doctor doing the doctoring  
doctor as the doctor being doctored wants to be doctored or  
does the doctor doing the doctoring doctor as he wants to doctor?

\*\*\*

Ray Rag ran across a rough road.  
Across a rough road Ray Rag ran.  
Where is the rough road Ray Rag ran across?

\*\*\*

The big bug bit  
the little beetle,  
but the little beetle  
bit the big bug back.

\*\*\*

Not these things here,  
but those things there.



\*\*\*

If two witches were watching two watches  
which witch would watch which watch?



\*\*\*

A certain young fellow named Beebe  
Wished to marry a lady named Phoebe  
"But," he said. "I must see  
What the minister's fee be  
Before Phoebe be Phoebe Beebe"

\*\*\*

If Freaky Fred Found Fifty Feet of Fruit  
And Fed Forty Feet to his Friend Frank  
How many Feet of Fruit did Freaky Fred Find?

\*\*\*

Ed Nott was shot and Sam Shott was not.  
So it is better to be Shott than Nott.  
Some say Nott was not shot.  
But Shott says he shot Nott.  
Either the shot Shott shot at Nott was not shot, or Nott was shot.  
If the shot Shott shot shot Nott, Nott was shot.  
But if the shot Shott shot shot Shott, the shot was Shott, not Nott.  
However, the shot Shott shot shot not Shott - but Nott.  
So, Ed Nott was shot and that's hot! Is it not?

\*\*\*

These brothers bathe with those brothers,  
Those brothers bathe with these brothers.  
If these brothers didn't bathe with those brothers,  
Would those brothers bathe with these brothers?



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Jean jellies ginger jam in June,  
 Jess jellies ginger jam in July.  
 If Jean didn't jelly ginger jam in June,  
 Could Jess jelly ginger jam in July?

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Judy Jones jigs with Jim James, Jozy James jives with Job Jones. If Judy Jones didn't jig with Jim James, Could Jozy James jive with Job Jones?

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My dame hath a lame tame crane,  
 My dame hath a crane that is lame.

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Our Joe wants to know if your Joe will lend our Joe you Joe's banjo.  
 If your Joe won't lend our Joe your Joe's banjo  
 our Joe won't lend your Joe our Joe's banjo when our Joe has a banjo!

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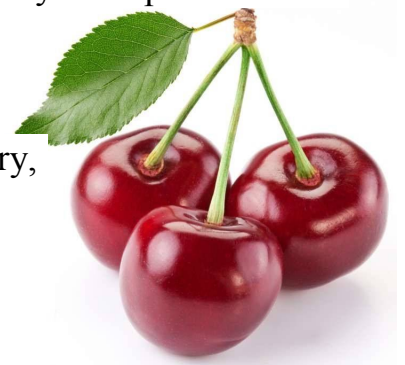
She is a thistle-sifter.  
 She has a sieve of unsifted thistles  
 and a sieve of sifted thistles  
 and the sieve of unsifted thistles  
 she sifts into the sieve of sifted thistles  
 because she is a thistle-sifter.

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I bought a bit of baking powder and baked a batch of biscuits.  
 I brought a big basket of biscuits back to the bakery and baked a basket of big biscuits.  
 Then I took the big basket of biscuits and the basket of big biscuits  
 and mixed the big biscuits with the basket of biscuits  
 that was next to the big basket and put a bunch of biscuits  
 from the basket into a biscuit mixer and brought the basket of biscuits  
 and the box of mixed biscuits and the biscuit mixer to the bakery and opened a tin of sardines.

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How many berries could a bare berry carry,  
 if a bare berry could carry berries?  
 Well they can't carry berries  
 (which could make you very wary)  
 but a bare berry carried is more scary!







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Yally Bally had a jolly golliwog.  
Feeling folly, Yally Bally Bought his jolly  
golli' a dollie made of holly!

The golli', feeling jolly, named the holly dollie, Polly.  
So Yally Bally's jolly golli's holly dollie Polly's also jolly!



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The king would sing,  
about a ring  
that would go ding.

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On mules we find two legs behind and two we find before.  
We stand behind before we find what those behind be for.

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A bitter biting bittern Bit a better brother bittern,  
And the bitter better bittern Bit the bitter biter back.  
And the bitter bittern, bitten, By the better bitten bittern,  
Said: "I'm a bitter biter bit, alack!"

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A certain young fellow named Beebee Wished to marry a lady named Phoebe  
"But," he said. "I must see What the minister's fee be Before Phoebe be Phoebe  
Beebee"

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A mother to her son did utter "Go, my son, and shut the shutter"  
"The shutter's shut" the son did utter "I cannot shut it any shutter!"

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A rough-coated, dough-faced,  
thoughtful ploughman strode through the streets of Scarborough;  
after falling into a slough,  
he coughed and hiccoughed.

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A skunk sat on a stump.  
The skunk thunk the stump stunk,  
And the stump thunk the skunk stunk.



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All I want is a proper cup of coffee  
Made in a proper copper coffee pot.  
You can believe it or not,  
But I just want a cup of coffee  
In a proper coffee pot.  
Tin coffee pots  
Or iron coffee pots  
Are of no use to me.  
If I can't have  
A proper cup of coffee  
In a proper copper coffee pot,  
I'll have a cup of tea!



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An undertaker undertook to under take an undertaking.  
The undertaking that the undertaker undertook  
was the hardest undertaking the undertaker ever undertook to undertake.



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