

## What to do today

*IMPORTANT! Parent or Carer – Read this page with your child and check that you are happy with what they have to do and with any weblinks or use of the Internet required.*

### 1. It's story time

Re-watch *This is the House that Jack Built* for the last time on Youtube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qYymDq0muDI>.

- Now read the text version of *The House That Jack Built* to your child. What differences do you both notice between the two versions?
- Which one did you prefer? Why was that?

### 2. Sequence

Read *Because* to explore how using the word allows us to join independent clauses together in a sentence and give a reason or explanation for something.

- Read the questions and answers on *Why Did...?*
- Highlight the word *because* in each of the answers.
- Learn to spell *because* off by heart by making your own copy of the mnemonic. Think of a different animal beginning with 'e' to use instead of 'elephants' in your own version. *Eels, eagles, emu, elves.*

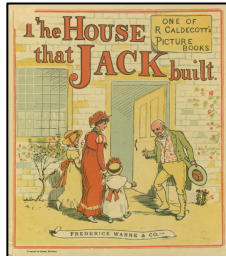
### 3. Let's get ready for writing

On *Responding to The House That Jack Built*, write sentences in response to the prompts.

- Use the word *because* in each answer to give a reason for a comment:  
*I like the look of Jack's house because it is really strange and crazy.*

### Now try these Fun-Time Extras

- Try learning part of the story off by heart, either from the start or from the line: *This is the horse and the hound and the horn...*
- When you are ready, ask if someone can film or record you reciting the story. Send the film to your Granny and Grandad!



This is the house that Jack built.  
This is the malt  
That lay in the house that Jack built.  
This is the rat that ate the malt  
That lay in the house that Jack built.  
This is the cat  
That killed the rat that ate the malt  
That lay in the house that Jack built.  
This is the dog that worried the cat  
That killed the rat that ate the malt  
That lay in the house that Jack built.  
This is the cow with the crumpled horn  
That tossed the dog that worried the cat  
That killed the rat that ate the malt  
That lay in the house that Jack built.  
This is the maiden all forlorn  
That milked the cow with the crumpled horn  
That tossed the dog that worried the cat  
That killed the rat that ate the malt  
That lay in the house that Jack built.  
This is the man all tattered and torn  
That kissed the maiden all forlorn  
That milked the cow with the crumpled horn  
That tossed the dog that worried the cat  
That killed the rat that ate the malt  
That lay in the house that Jack built.  
This is the judge all shaven and shorn  
That married the man all tattered and torn  
That kissed the maiden all forlorn  
That milked the cow with the crumpled horn

That tossed the dog that worried the cat  
That killed the rat that ate the malt  
That lay in the house that Jack built.  
This is the rooster that crowed in the morn  
That woke the judge all shaven and shorn  
That married the man all tattered and torn  
That kissed the maiden all forlorn  
That milked the cow with the crumpled horn  
That tossed the dog that worried the cat  
That killed the rat that ate the malt  
That lay in the house that Jack built.  
This is the farmer sowing his corn  
That kept the rooster that crowed in the morn  
That woke the judge all shaven and shorn  
That married the man all tattered and torn  
That kissed the maiden all forlorn  
That milked the cow with the crumpled horn  
That tossed the dog that worried the cat  
That killed the rat that ate the malt  
That lay in the house that Jack built.  
This is the horse and the hound and the horn  
That belonged to the farmer sowing his corn  
That kept the rooster that crowed in the morn  
That woke the judge all shaven and shorn  
That married the man all tattered and torn  
That kissed the maiden all forlorn  
That milked the cow with the crumpled horn  
That tossed the dog that worried the cat  
That killed the rat that ate the malt  
That lay in the house that Jack built.

*Trad.*

## Why Did...?

Q: Why did the rat eat all the cheese?

A: The rat ate all the cheese because it was really hungry.

Q: Why did the cat try and hide?

A: The cat tried to hide because the dog was chasing her across the farmyard.

Q: Why did the dog run away from the cow?

A: The dog ran away from the cow because the cow had big, scary horns.

Q: Why did the tattered man kiss the milkmaid?

A: The man kissed the milkmaid because he felt very sorry for her and wanted to cheer her up.

Q: Why did the Judge get woken up?

A: The Judge got woken up because the rooster crowed extremely loudly in the morning.

Q: Why did the farmer sow seeds on his farm?

A: The farmer sowed seeds on the farm because he wanted to grow lots of crops and feed his animals.

# because

big elephants can always understand small elephants

The word **because** joins together two independent clauses in a sentence.

*The rat ate all the cheese*      and      *It was really hungry.*

The rat ate the cheese **because** it was really hungry.

Using **because** lets you explain or give a reason for something.

The dog ran away from the cow **because** the cow had big, scary horns.

## Responding to The House that Jack Built



Say why you **like** or **don't like** the following things from the story.  
Remember to use the word **because** in all your answers to explain why you like  
or don't like them.

The look of Jack's house

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The rat's stinky cheeses

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The tattered man's clothes

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The drawings in the story

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