

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. Reading time

Read the funny poem '['Twas Midnight](#)'.

- Explain unusual words – '*twas*' means *it was*; a *streetcar* is a tram.
- Discuss all the funny things that don't go together in the poem (*cars in the ocean; a barefoot child wearing shoes, etc.*)

2. Rhymes and Rhyming

Re-read the poem and highlight pairs of words that rhyme. *Fast* and *grass* are a funny kind of rhyme called a 'half rhyme'.

- Now read the words in the first of the [Sets of Rhyming Words](#). Identify the non-rhyming word in each set.

3. Writing time

Read the short poem, [Jumble It Up!](#)

- Carefully cut off the second part of each sentence and glue them down swapped over to make 'jumbled' lines (*A galloping horse with two whizzing wheels, etc.*).
- Continue like this. Then see if you can add a pair of funny jumbled lines of your own at the end!

Now try these Fun-Time Extras

- Midnight. What are you doing then? On [Times of the Day](#) say what you do at particular times. *At 7 o'clock I...*
- Copy out your favourite funny 2 lines from either '*Twas Midnight* or *Jumble it Up!* and draw pictures to go with them on [Funny Lines](#).

'Twas Midnight



'Twas midnight on the ocean,
Not a streetcar was in sight,
The sun was shining brightly,
For it rained all day that night.
'Twas a summer day in winter
And snow was raining fast
As a barefoot boy with shoes on
Stood sitting on the grass.

Anon

Sets of Rhyming Words

- Each set contains a word that does not belong with the others, as it does not rhyme.
- Find the word in each set that is the odd one out.
- Add 2 further words that *do* rhyme to each set.

sea see

me key say

pea

sun gum

son

one done

night bite

site quite weight

fight

shoe do

crew moo

no

Jumble it up!

A galloping horse with	four strong legs
A speeding bicycle on	two whizzing wheels
An old mother hen	sitting on eggs
A rock at the seaside	covered in seals
A star up in the sky	shining and bright
A lump of stinky cheese	dotted with holes
A teacher in the classroom	turning off the light
An amazing keeper	saving lots of goals

Times of the Day



At midnight I _____

At 7 o'clock in the morning I _____

At 11 O'clock in the morning I _____

At midday I _____

At 4 o'clock in the afternoon I _____

At 8 o'clock in the evening I _____

And at midnight I _____ again!

Funny Lines

