

1st annual St. PADDY'S DAY LIMERICK CONTEST



RUSSELL

INTERMEDIATE



1. I Knew an Irishman with big arms
2. Trapped in a box of Lucky Charms
3. He ate his way out
4. And started to shout
5. "Does this stuff grow in fields on farms?"



CHECKLIST

CHECK THE LIMERICK ABOVE FOR THE FOLLOWING INGREDIENT

- ☐ Do lines 1, 2 & 5 rhyme?
- ☐ Do lines 1, 2 & 5 have a similar number of syllables?
- ☐ Do lines 3 & 4 rhyme?
- ☐ Do lines 3 & 4 have a similar number of syllables?
- ☐ Does the poem tell a story in a funny/nonsensical way?



Complete each Limerick by filling in the blanks:

There once was a girl named Meg.
Who accidentally broke her left _____.
She slipped on the _____.
Not one time, but twice.
Take no pity on her, I _____.

There once was a boy from the lake.
Who ate too much chocolate _____.
He cried because his tummy
Felt so bloated and _____.
Now he eats only salads and _____.

There was a small child named _____
Who liked to play ball in the _____
He'd play with the _____
He'd jump, run, and _____
At night he would rest and then _____

My favorite animal's the _____
I like it because it can _____
I wish I could have _____
It would be so much _____
But my mom no way it's too _____

LIMERICK FORMAT

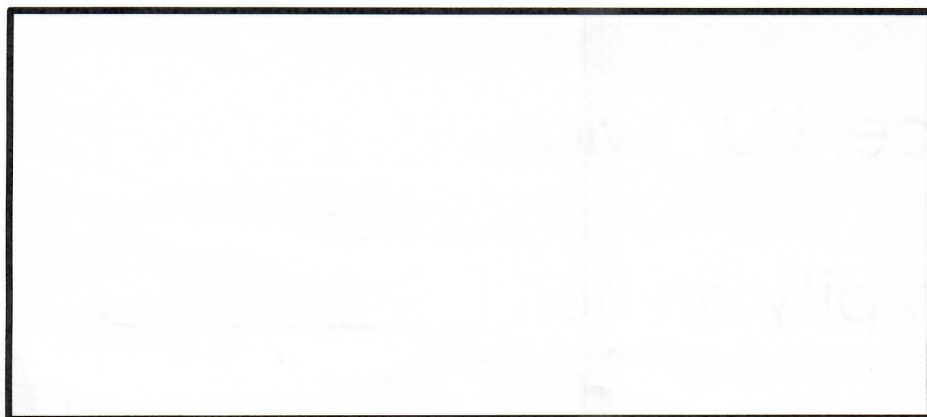
- A Line 1 [8 - 9 syllables]
- A Line 2 [8 - 9 syllables]
- B Line 3 [5 - 6 syllables]
- B Line 4 [5 - 6 syllables]
- A Line 5 [8 - 9 syllables]

A LIMERICK FORMULA

- Line 1: There once was a _____
from/named _____
 - Line 2: Who..... (rhyme with
line 1)
 - Line 3: Shorter line that does
not rhyme with 1 + 2.
 - Line 4: Short line rhyme with
Line 3.
 - Line 5: "Punch line" Rhyme
with lines 1 + 2 and
make it long.
- Create a title and illustrate!

Title

by



1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

A LIMERICK FORMULA 2

A Line 1 [8 - 9 syllables]

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B Line 3 [5 - 6 syllables]

B Line 4 [5 - 6 syllables]

A Line 5 [8 - 9 syllables]

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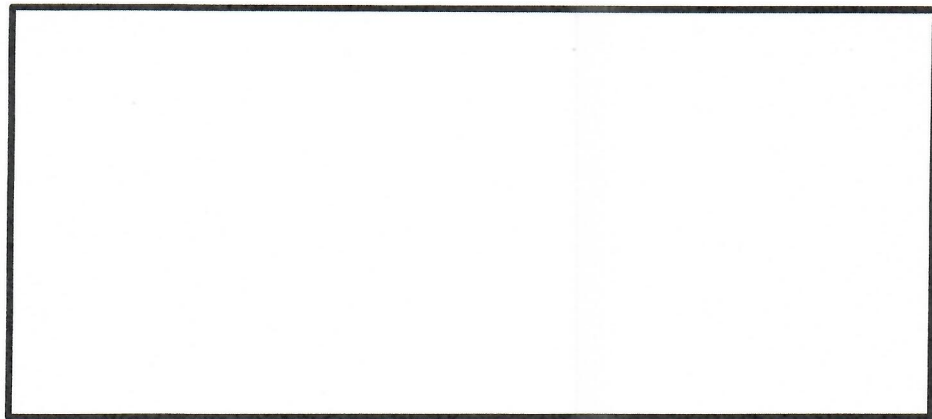
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