

Rhyme Time

Fill in the blanks with words that rhyme with the underlined words directly above each line. Only the first few couplets of the poem are written below. Read *Falling Up* (pages 26–27) to see if the noise ever ends!

NOISE DAY

Let's have one day for girls and boyses

When you can make the grandest . (6 letters)

Screech, scream, holler, and yell—

Buzz a buzzer, clang a , (4 letters)

Sneeze—hiccup—whistle—shout,

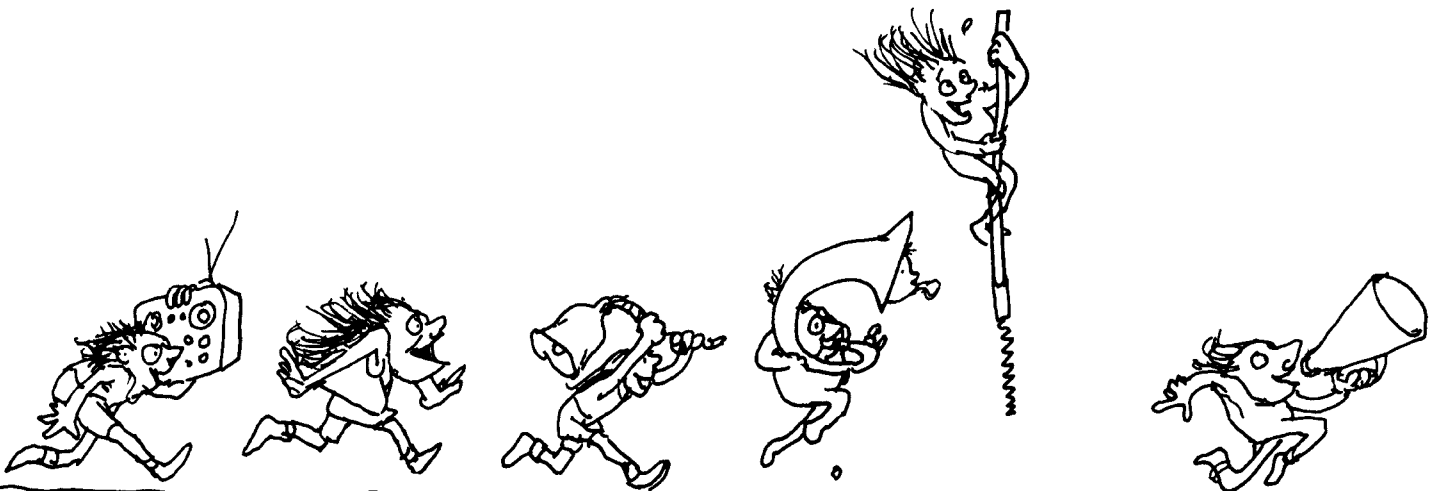
Laugh until your lungs wear , (3 letters)

Toot a whistle, kick a can,

Bang a spoon against a , (3 letters)

Sing, yodel, bellow, hum,

Blow a horn, beat a . (4 letters)



Eggciting Eggsperiment

In "Eggs Rated" from *Falling Up*, Shel writes about a man eating delicious eggs at a restaurant, but he uses the word "egg" as a play on many other words that only *sound* similar. Practice your vocabulary by guessing the words Shel would have used if he hadn't substituted the word "eggs" in them and write your answers in the lines below. Which version is more fun to read?

EGGS RATED

These eggs

Are _____.
[eggscellent]

I'm not _____.
[eggsaggerating]

You can tell by my _____
[eggspression]

They're _____
[eggscptional]

_____ fluffy,
[Eggstra]

_____ tasty,
[Eggstremely]

Cooked _____ right
[eggsactly]

By an _____
[eggspert]

With lots of _____
[eggspexperience]

Now I'll _____ the bill
[eggssamine]

Ooh—much more _____
[eggspensive]

Than I _____.
[eggsppected]

I gotta get out of here.

Where's the _____?
[eggxit]



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