

# Once Upon a Time



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## Rhyming poems

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Once upon a time lived a gingerbread man,  
who jumped right out of an oven pan.  
To run as fast and as far as he could,  
through the farm and the deep, dark wood.



Once upon a time lived Hansel and Gretel,  
who got lost in the forest of thorns and nettles.  
They found a house made of sweets and cake –  
every sweet treat a baker could make.

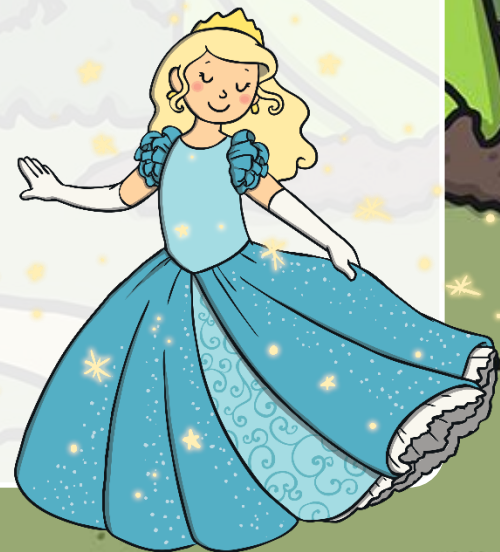




Once upon a time there was a girl dressed in red,  
whose Granny was poorly and resting in bed.  
She left home to see her; a wolf watched her go.  
Would he beat her to Grandma's? How would  
she know?



Once upon a time lived a girl dressed in tatters.  
For her, the ball was the only thing that mattered.  
A spell from a fairy and soon she was there.  
But look at the clock, it's midnight! Beware!



All of these tales have one thing the same:  
a famous main character, you know them by name.  
Some filled with disaster, some filled with laughter,  
but all of them end with a happily ever after.







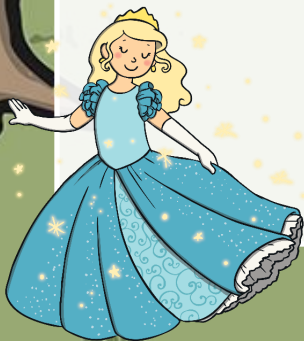
## **Your tasks this week for English are:**

- **First task:** To write your own rhyming poem.

Read the text again. Remember to try and use characters from traditional tales. You can use the rhyming pattern or some words to help you structure your own poem.

- **Second task:** Comprehension.

Read the text carefully and choose a worksheet to answer some questions about the poems.



## Here are some examples of the comprehension questions.

1. Which character is not mentioned in this poem? Tick **one**.

- ☐ Little Red Riding Hood
- ☐ The Gingerbread Man
- ☐ The Little Red Hen

2. Match the characters to their actions.

Jack •

The Gingerbread Man •

Hansel and Gretel •

• went to the market.

• got lost in the forest.

• jumped out of an oven pan.

3. What was the house that Hansel and Gretel found made from?

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Have  
fun!