

Rhyme	Themes	Vocabulary	Discussion questions
Christmas is near	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● celebrations 	<p>Discuss the meaning of <i>buskers, glad, dimming</i> and <i>glum</i> in context.</p> <p>Collect words to do with Christmas.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 🔑 What does Christmas make you think of? 🔑 Let's see what the rhyme says about Christmas. <p>Do you do these things? Which is your favourite?</p> <p>Is it 'the best night of the year'? Why? Why not?</p>
One day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● all about me 	<p>Discuss the meaning of <i>artist, rock band, speed, star, smart, invent, champ</i> and <i>back flip</i> in context.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 🔑 Let's see what the person in this rhyme would like to do 'one day'. <p>Would you like to do these things?</p> <p>Would it be easy or hard to do these things?</p>
What is it?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● water 	<p>Discuss water words, such as <i>soak, boil, poach, slurp, gulp, surf, drench, drown</i> and <i>flood</i>.</p> <p>Collect onomatopoeic words.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 🔑 See if you can work out what the rhyme is describing. <p>When did you guess? Which word or line gave you the clue?</p> <p>Which is the best/worst thing about water mentioned in the rhyme?</p>
Rain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● weather ● water 	<p>Discuss the meaning of <i>splatter, soak, flush, gush, sweeping, pelting, thunder, drum</i> and <i>pitter patter</i> in context.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 🔑 Picture the rain in the rhyme. What is it doing? Where is it going? <p>What does the rhyme tell us about the sounds rain makes? Is it heavy or light rain?</p> <p>How does the rhyme make you feel about rain?</p>
When winter comes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● weather ● seasons 	<p>Discuss the meaning of <i>bitter, chill, dull, drab, crisp, batters, gusts</i> and <i>slush</i> in context.</p> <p>Collect words to do with winter.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 🔑 Picture each line. What image of winter does the rhyme give you? <p>What happens to trees and land in winter?</p> <p>How does the rhyme make you feel about winter?</p>
When spring comes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● seasons ● new life 	<p>Discuss the meaning of <i>melt, soak, faint, light, crisp, burst</i> and <i>glee</i> in context.</p> <p>Collect words to do with spring.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 🔑 Picture each line. What image of spring does the rhyme give you? <p>Which of these things have you seen?</p> <p>Which is your favourite thing about spring?</p>
Can I be a pirate?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● pirates 	<p>Discuss the meaning of <i>load, drag, wooden, jig, clamber, hoist, raid, shoot</i> and <i>snarl</i> in context.</p> <p>Collect words to do with pirates.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 🔑 What do pirates have to do? 🔑 Let's find out if you could be a pirate! <p>Which of these things could you do?</p> <p>Would you make a good pirate? Why? Why not?</p>