



Spoonerisms

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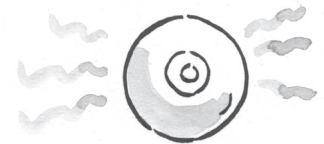
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Don't forget to dock the law!



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We had thick frog last fiday.



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Do you like to bead in red?



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I can fee my sootprints!



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I caught a ban of soda.



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Can you think of any **spoonerisms** yourself? Write them here.



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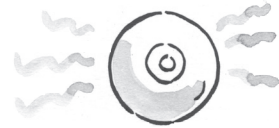
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Conquering kings

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Did you hear the roar-bell ding?

Did you hear the doorbell ring?

Don't forget to dock the law!



Don't forget to lock the door!

We had thick frog last fiday.



We had thick fog last Friday.

Do you like to bead in red?



Do you like to read in bed?

I can fee my sootprints!



I can see my footprints!

I caught a ban of soda.



I bought a can of soda.

Can you think of any **spoonerisms** yourself? Write them here.



Answers may vary

This page introduces your child to a fun way of playing with sounds and spellings – the spoonerism. Help your child to use a dictionary to check any words that he or she cannot spell.