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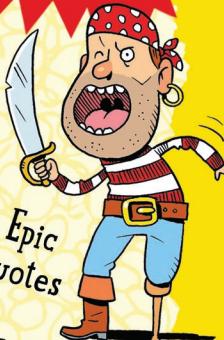
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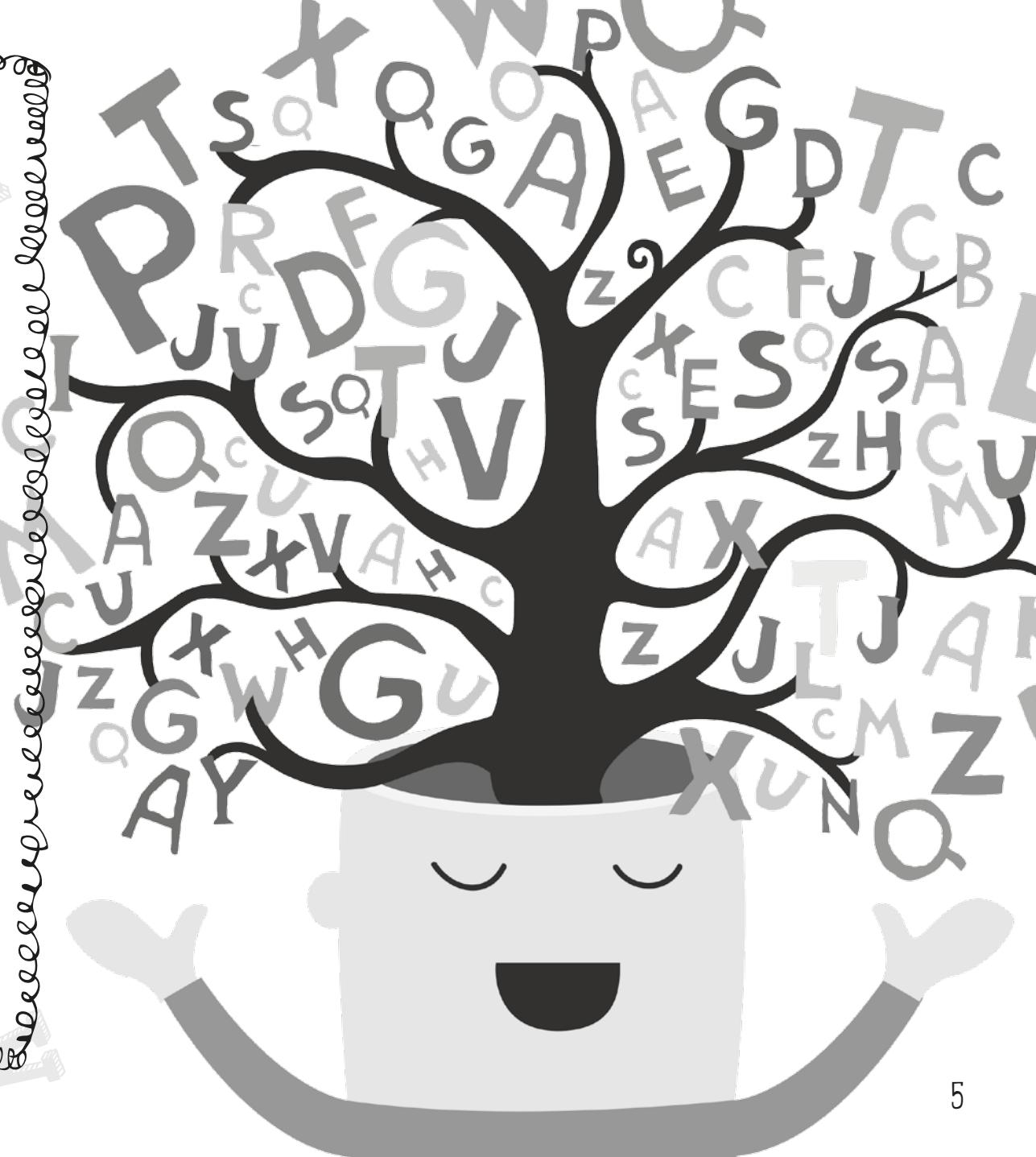
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INTRODUCTION

Some people play with footballs, some people play with cards, some people play with their food and some people (the best people) play with words. Wordplay involves all sorts of things: jokes, poems, puns, riddles, making up phrases, messing around with spellings, twisting people's tongues and thinking of comical names – and much more than that too.

The important thing about wordplay is that it's FUN. This book has more words in it than you can fit on the bulbous belly of a blue whale: it has absolutely oodles, preposterous piles, ludicrous lashings, stonking stacks of the stuff, including wordplay games to try. It's all here, ready for you to enjoy – what are you waiting for?



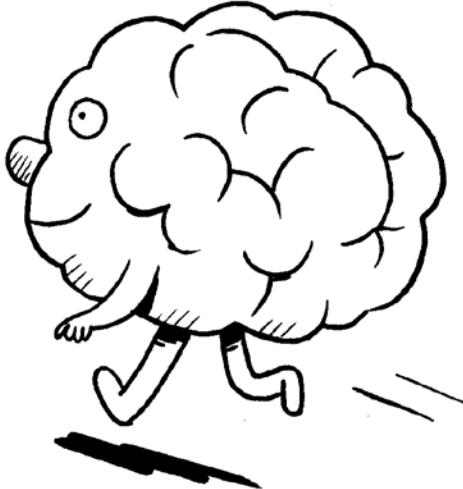
JUICY JOKES AND RIDDLES

Everybody loves a good joke and many of the best jokes use wordplay to make us chortle. But don't worry, there are none of those dreadful 'dad puns' here, just clever wit, cheeky riddles, new takes on old favourites and lots of loopy lines to leave you laughing.

One-liners

One-liners are short jokes that often fool around with language.

Unlike many jokes, they don't use the Q&A format.



I didn't use to finish sentences, but now I

I just let my mind wander, and it didn't come back.

You can't have everything;
where would you put it?

I heard about a man whose whole left side was cut off but he's all right now.

Police station toilet stolen – the cops have nothing to go on.

Archaeologist: someone whose career lies in ruins.

It's bad luck to be superstitious.

I'm going to get to school on time, no matter how long it takes!

Wildlife wit

Animals are a favourite topic for jokes – well, they can't answer back, can they? Enjoy these:

Why do cats chase birds?
For a lark.

What do you get if you cross a cat and a gorilla?
An animal that puts you out at night.

What do you get if you cross a Crocodile and a hyena?
I don't know but I'll join in if it laughs.

Why did the whale cross the road?
To get to the other tide.

What looks like half a camel?
The other half.

What did the spider say to the bee?
Your honey or your life.

When does a duck go 'moo'?
When it's learning a new language.



What do you get if you cross an elephant with a skunk?
Rid of it.

What's the best way to keep milk from turning sour?
Leave it inside the cow.

Bumper stickers

Bumper stickers are funny slogans stuck on the back of cars and trucks.

Often they are something to do with driving but sometimes they are just short jokes.

Follow that car, Godzilla - and step on it!

Sorry for driving so close in front of you.

Of all the things I've lost,
I miss my mind the most.

Rock is dead. Long live paper and scissors.

Don't use shampoo
- demand real poo.

GRAVITY ALWAYS GETS ME DOWN.

Money is the root of all evil -
for more info send me £5.

No one is listening
until you fart.

He who laughs
last thinks
slowest.

Honk if you see parts fall off.

Corduroy pillows are
making headlines.

Riddles to untwiddle

Can you work out
the solution to
these natty riddles?

1.

What can you catch
but not throw?

3.

What has a face and
two hands but no
arms or legs?

4.

What can you
hold but not
touch?

6.

What is it that, after
you take away the
whole, some still
remains?

7.

What kind of tree
can you carry in
your hand?

2.

What has a
neck but no
head?

5.

What has to be
broken before
you can use it?

8.

What five-letter
word becomes
shorter when you
add two letters
to it?

Answers on p156.

Brain-ache riddles

These word puzzles are harder than the previous ones.
Maybe try them out on a handy adult...

1.

What begins with
T, ends with T and
has T in it?

2.

What loses its head
in the morning
but gets it back at
night?

3.

What goes around
the world but stays
in a corner?

4.

What is so
delicate that even
saying its name
breaks it?

5.

What's tall when it's
young and short
when it's old?

8.

What are always
fast, next to
last, never there,
everywhere?

6.

What can run but
never walks, has a
mouth but never talks,
has a head but never
weeps, has a bed but
never sleeps?

7.

You must use it to
change it. If you
lose it you're out of
it. What is it?

Answers on p156.

Nutty riddles

These riddles are silly, but fun too. How many can you get?

2. What type of cheese is made backwards?

3. Which letter of the alphabet has the most water?

5. Forwards it's heavy but backwards it's not. What is it?

1. What word begins and ends with an 'e' but only has one letter?

4. What starts with a 'P', ends with an 'E' and has thousands of letters?

6. What kind of coat can only be put on when wet?

7. Can you name two days starting with T besides Tuesday and Thursday?

8. If you take four eggs from nine eggs, how many do you have?

9. Where does yesterday follow today, with tomorrow between them?

Answers on p156.

Top notch knock knocks

Sometimes the old ones are the best. And sometimes they are the worst...

Knock knock.
Who's there?
Cook.
Cook who?
That's the first one
I've heard this year.

Knock knock.
Who's there?
Yoda Lady.
Yoda Lady who?
I didn't know you could yodel.

Knock knock.
Who's there?
Howard.
Howard who?
Howard I know?

Knock knock
Who's there?
Toodle.
Toodle who?
But I've only just arrived!