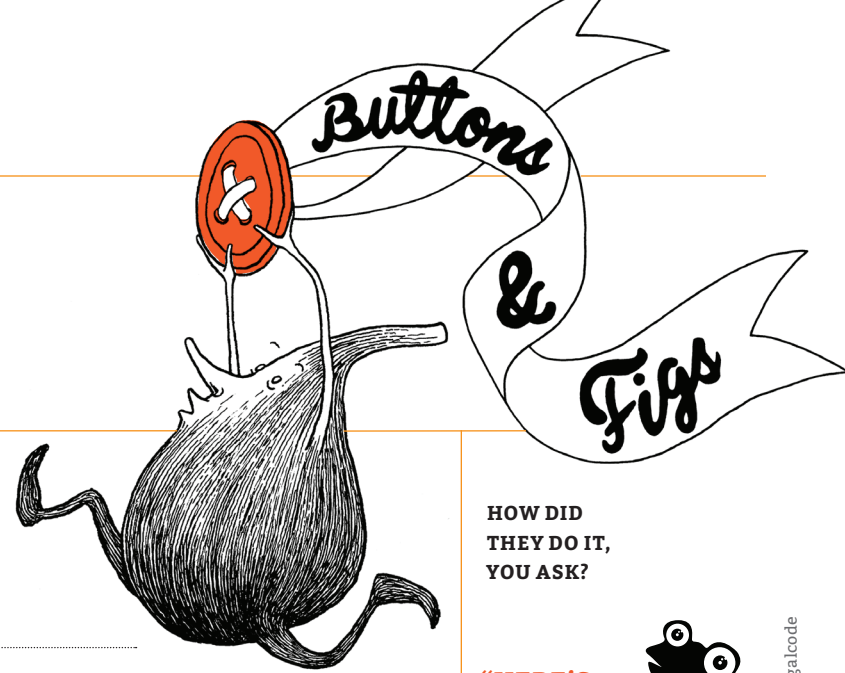


Tongue Twister Activity

Dr. Knickerbocker and Other Rhymes selected by David Booth, illustrated by Maryann Kovalski



IN THE BOOK:

A fly and a flea flew up in a flue.
Said the fly to the flea,
“What shall we do?”
“Let’s fly,” said the flea.
“Let’s flee,” said the fly.
So they flew up a flaw in the flue.

AT THE LIBRARY/ON THE PODCAST:

One Weird
Whale Watches
Walruses

Four Farting
Fortunate Fingles

Two Talking Trees
Try to Turn

Your turn to try your own tongue twister!

Pick a LETTER (not your nose)

Pick an ANIMAL beginning with that letter

Pick a VERB beginning with that letter

Pick a FRUIT beginning with that letter

Pick a PLACE (real or nonsense) beginning with that letter

Hint: Pick animals/verbs/fruits/places with the same sounds, not necessarily the same letters. See frog for details.

THEN: Put your tongue twister together by adding a plural here, a conjunction there, anything to make it challenging to trick the tongue into a twist!

Say you picked:

B / Baboon / Bounce /
Banana / Bombay

Your Tongue Twister might be something like this:

**BABOONS BOUNCE
BANANAS IN BOMBAY...
BOING!**

SAY IT THREE TIMES FAST!

HOW DID THEY DO IT, YOU ASK?



“HERE’S ONE WAY,” SAID THE FROG TO THE FIG IN PHILADELPHIA,

“PHOOEY,” SAID I.

ALTERNATIVES:

Try selecting different categories.

Try only using nonsense words.

Try tricky tongue twisters in town, Tunisia, and Timbuktu.