

Nursery Rhyme Knowledge

English Literature · Answer Key · 15 Questions

1. In the rhyme 'Jack and Jill', what specific object were they climbing a hill to fetch?

- A) A bucket of water**
- B) A pail of milk
- C) A basket of berries
- D) A loaf of bread

2. In 'Humpty Dumpty', what kind of creature is Humpty Dumpty traditionally depicted as?

- A) A bird
- B) An egg**
- C) A cat
- D) A teapot

3. According to the rhyme, who sat on a tuffet eating curds and whey?

- A) Jack Horner
- B) Little Bo Peep
- C) Little Miss Muffet**
- D) Mary Contrary

4. In the rhyme 'Hey Diddle Diddle', which animal is described as jumping over the moon?

- A) A cow**
- B) A dog
- C) A cat
- D) A sheep

5. What did the spider climb up in the rhyme 'Itsy Bitsy Spider'?

- A) A tree
- B) A waterspout**
- C) A ladder
- D) A fence

6. In 'Mary Had a Little Lamb', what was the color of the lamb's fleece?

- A) Black
- B) Brown
- C) White**
- D) Grey

7. In the rhyme 'Three Blind Mice', what were the mice chasing?

- A) The cat
- B) The farmer's wife**
- C) The cook
- D) The cheese

8. In 'Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star', what is the star compared to in the sky?

- A) A glowing lantern
- B) A bright diamond**
- C) A burning fire
- D) A silver coin

9. In 'Old Mother Hubbard', what was she looking for in her cupboard?

- A) A bone for her dog**
- B) A piece of cheese
- C) A bottle of milk
- D) A loaf of bread

10. According to 'London Bridge is Falling Down', what material is used to repair the bridge in the final verse?

- A) Gold and silver
- B) Wood and stone
- C) Iron and steel**
- D) Mud and clay

11. In the rhyme 'Sing a Song of Sixpence', how many blackbirds were baked in a pie?

- A) Four
- B) Twelve
- C) Twenty-four**
- D) Forty

12. What was Little Tommy Tucker expected to do for his supper?

- A) Sing for it**
- B) Dance for it
- C) Clean for it
- D) Cook for it

13. In 'Baa, Baa, Black Sheep', how many bags of wool did the sheep have?

- A) One
- B) Two
- C) Three**
- D) Four

14. Which rhyme describes a person who went to London to look at the Queen?

A) Little Jack Horner

B) Pussy Cat, Pussy Cat

C) Simple Simon

D) Hey Diddle Diddle

15. What time does the mouse run down the clock in 'Hickory Dickory Dock'?

A) Twelve o'clock

B) One o'clock

C) Six o'clock

D) Nine o'clock