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You will find student instructions and writing templates as well as project templates. These ideas can be placed in writing centers and the creative project is great for bulletin boards or writing portfolios. My students enjoyed this activity and I hope yours do as well!

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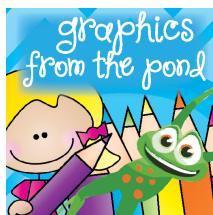
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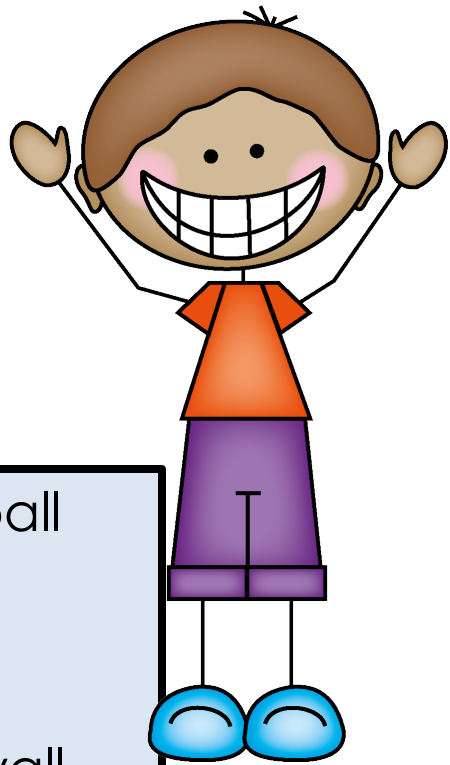
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Your turn! Let's
Brainstorm rhyming
words!

Add hyperbole,
idioms, or
onomatopoeia!

Some people say that the limerick was invented by soldiers returning from France to the Irish town of Limerick in the 1700's.

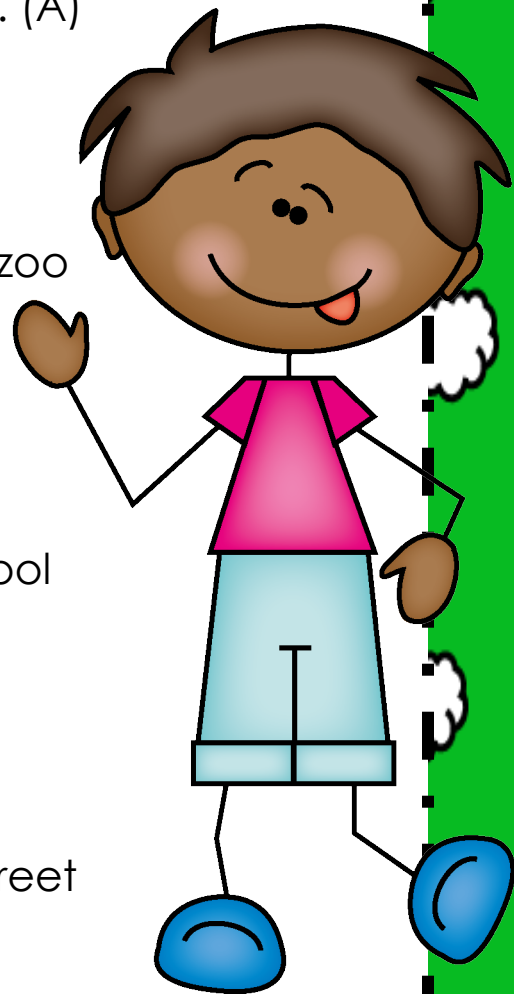
More Limericks to share:

There once was a fellow named Titanic Tim (A)
whose dad never taught him to swim. (A)
He fell off a dock (B)
and sunk like a rock. (B)
Was that the end of him? (A)

There once was a man from Zangbo zoo
Who didn't know what he should do
So rather than zoom
He fell on his broom
When he heard the monkey say boo!

There was a small boy from Kalamarool
Who didn't know how to be cool
He wore disco pants
He couldn't dance
And then clumsily fell into a hole.

There once was a man from Plump street
Who didn't know what he should eat
So rather than die
He ate a whole pie
Then decided to gnaw on his feet!



Let's try one together!

There once was a girl named Meg.

Who accidentally broke her left _____.

She slipped on the _____.

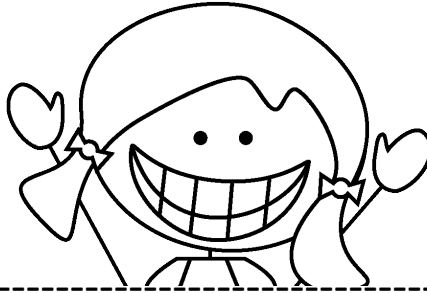
Not once, but twice.

Take no pity on her, I _____.



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