



# PodPack

Surprises

Season 1, Episode 16

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Welcome to the  
*Kids' Poetry Club*  
PodPack on  
**Surprises!**

**Every episode of *Kids' Poetry Club* comes with a free PodPack of activities based on that week's poems.**

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## Activity 1: Who Loves Surprises?

In the episode, Queenie surprises Little Dazzy Donuts by decorating the Club with streamers and balloons, and then hiding in the Club to wait for him. Later, Queenie is surprised herself when she opens up a cupboard looking for a vacuum cleaner, and instead finds Chicken.

But not everybody likes surprises or would want a surprise party. Think about all of the people you know, who would love a surprise party, and who would really not want one. Put their names in the lists below.

**Who loves surprises?**

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**Who hates surprises?**

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## Activity 2: A Surprise Cake

In the episode, Queenie makes Little Dazzy Donuts a surprise cake that is fairly normal (with vanilla sponge and buttercream filling). However, the surprise is in the frosting, which is made with tuna and banana.

Imagine a strange flavor that you would like to try in a cake or a sandwich, and then draw the cake or sandwich below.



## Activity 3: A Riddle Surprise

In the episode, Little Dazzy Donuts opens a box containing a phone that Rhyming Rita calls. She has prepared a riddle, and asks everyone to work out what the two words are that solve the riddle. Read the riddle below, and then try to solve it by figuring out the two words. You can check your answer by listening to the episode of *Kids' Poetry Club* that releases on April 20th.

### “Rhyming Rita’s Riddle”

I am named for different colors,  
at times where I reside  
yet it may sound to you  
like I have no clothes  
or covers in which to hide.  
Don’t confuse the two of me  
for we are definitely not the same:  
for I may be one by nature  
and the other one by name.

## Activity 4: A Poem To Read

### “Your Birthday Surprise”

For a birthday surprise  
we planned a big party,  
with all of your friends  
like Ruby and Charlie,  
and Jack, Dan, and Amy,  
and Nick and Steve too,  
we invited hundreds of people  
to come surprise you.

We rented a room,  
and bought a big sign:  
rainbow colors that said,  
“Happy Birthday Surprise.”  
We also made a big cake,  
covered in candles.  
We hung helium balloons  
of monkeys and pandas.

When the day came,  
we turned off the lights,  
and waited to jump up  
shouting, “Surprise!”  
but it turned out our planning  
wasn’t thorough enough  
as the surprise for us all  
was you didn’t turn up!



## Activity 5: A Chicken Surprise

**At the end of the episode, Queenie offers to stay behind to clean up the Club. Because there are cake crumbs everywhere, she opens up cupboards looking for a vacuum cleaner. She doesn't find one, but she does find Chicken. She and Chicken agree to tidy up the Club together, and then sit down to drink Kombucha and write a story. Use the space below to draw a picture of them together.**







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