



PodPack

Bear or Bare?

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Welcome to the
Kids' Poetry Club
PodPack on

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

Just download it from kidspoetryclub.com, print it out, and join in the fun!

Check out the final page for information on how to submit your own poems and drawings to *Kids' Poetry Club*!

Activity 1: Play The Game

In the episode, Queenie and Chicken are playing a game of “Bear or Bare?” In it, they have to work out whether a word goes with Bear, or goes with Bare. Here are a few words so that you can play the game too. You can check your answers at the bottom of page 10.

1. With _____

2. Up _____

3. Essentials _____

4. Down _____

5. Bones _____

6. Witness _____

7. Necessities _____

8. Fruit _____

9. Laid _____

Activity 2: A Poem To Read



“Bare Bear”

It's as in *bear with*,
and not *bare behind*.
So don't bear your soul,
but do bear in mind.

Although bare and bear
sound the same word,
they only bear a resemblance
in the way they are heard.

First, you bear down.
Then, you bear up.
Why bear a grudge?
Just give a bear hug.

Don't bear the brunt,
or bring pressure to bear.
Trust it to bear fruit,
and be bear aware.

Let me bear witness,
on why you should care.
Although this may be more
than you really can bear.

Activity 3: Drawing

Use the space below to draw a picture based on the poem you just read in Activity 2. Try picking one or two bear phrases, and drawing them with an actual bear doing them.

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin pink border, intended for a drawing. The box occupies most of the page below the instructions.

Activity 4: Write An Acrostic Poem

In the episode, you heard Rhyming Rita and three poets reading out acrostic poems where the first letter of each line formed a word or phrase. Why not try to write one yourself on the topic of HOME, and send it into the competition? You can enter it by going to the Summer competition page at kidspoetryclub.com.

“My HOME Acrostic Poem”

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Activity 5: Punctuation

In the episode, Little Dazzy Donuts read out a poem about punctuation where his love for punctuation means that he has used it too many times, and also in the wrong places. Here's the poem with all the punctuation, and also a version that has no punctuation at all. Use the second version to add punctuation where you believe it should go.

“Punctuation” (original version)

I have to dash - I simply must dot...
 I put colons everywhere:
 and just in case, I use question marks.
 If not here? Then there?
 In a period like this. “You simply must use
 quotation marks with glee,”
 and hyphen-words quite-a-lot
 and end with apostrophes’.
 • When in doubt use bullet points
 (brackets, exclamations too!)
 putting commas, after, every, word,
 is something you simply should do.
 If you then “read what I write,”
 you’ll see words I’m quite fond of -
 but, while the words I write are interesting;
 it’s the punctuation that I love!!!!

“Punctuation”
(you add the punctuation)

I have to dash I simply must dot
I put colons everywhere
and just in case I use question marks
If not here then there
In a period like this you simply must use
quotation marks with glee
and hyphen words quite a lot
and end with apostrophes
When in doubt use bullet points
brackets, exclamations too
putting commas after every word
is something you simply should do
If you then read what I write
you'll see words I'm quite fond of
but while the words I write are interesting
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“Punctuation” (suggested solution)

I have to dash. I simply must dot.
I put colons everywhere
and, just in case, I use question marks,
if not here, then there.
In a period like this, you simply must use
quotation marks with glee,
and hyphen words quite a lot,
and end with apostrophes.
When in doubt, use bullet points,
brackets, exclamations too.
Putting commas after every word
is something you simply should do.
If you then read what I write,
you'll see words I'm quite fond of,
but while the words I write are interesting,
it's the punctuation that I love.

Answer to Activity 1

1. Bear; 2. Bear; 3. Bare; 4. Bear; 5. Bare; 6. Bear; 7. Bare; 8. Bear; 9. Bare.



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