

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Reading Poetry

# Mr. Miller

Mr. Miller liked to jump  
From high up in the sky;  
He never for a moment thought  
That he could ever die.  
He trusted in his parachute  
But when he pulled the string,  
He found his wife had moved the chute  
And filled it up with things  
That might have been a help to him  
In any other place;  
But nothing that might keep him now  
From landing on his face.  
So Mr. Miller closed his eyes,  
And said, "Thy will be done";  
And suddenly jumping out of things  
Just wasn't that much fun.  
It might have been the end of him.  
Had not a hawk flew by  
And plucked him with her razor claws  
Right out of the blue sky.  
She took him to her nest up high  
And dropped him in the twigs  
And Mr. Miller to this day  
Can be found in these digs!



**DIRECTIONS:** Read the poem aloud. Answer the questions.

1. What does Mr. Miller think can't happen to him?
2. What happens when Mr. Miller pulls the string on his parachute?
3. Why is jumping out of things suddenly not that much fun?
4. How is Mr. Miller saved?
5. Look up the word "digs". What does it mean in the context of this poem?