We have all heard the same old nursery rhymes, but how can you change them to add more alliteration—and make them sillier? Let’s practice finding and then adding alliteration to some famous sentences.

A. Find the alliteration in the sentences below by underlining the alliterative words.

1. Mary had a little lamb, her fleece was white as snow.
2. London Bridge is falling down, my fair lady.
3. Baa, baa, black sheep, have you any wool?

B. Look at the nursery rhymes listed below. Replace the word in parentheses with words that start with the letter given to help the sentence contain more alliteration.

4. M
   Old King Cole was a merry old ______(soul), and a merry old ______(soul) was he;
   He called for his ______(pipe) in the middle of the ______(night)
   And he called for his ____________(fiddlers) three.

5. F
   Jack and Jill went up the ________(hill) to fetch a ________(pail) of ________(water)
   Jack fell down and broke his ________(crown)
   And Jill came ____________(tumbling) after.

6. C
   There was a crooked ____________(man) and he ____________(walked) a crooked mile,
   He found a crooked ____________(sixpence) upon a crooked ________(stile)
   He bought a crooked cat, which caught a crooked ________(mouse)
   And they all lived together in a little crooked ____________(house)