

Reading Tips

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| <p>Use the pictures</p> | <p>Look for smaller words within words <i>c-at</i></p> |
| <p>Break words into syllables e.g. <i>cat-er-pill-ar</i></p> | <p>Sound out the word</p> |
| <p>Skip the word and read the rest of the sentence to try and work out what it says</p> | <p>Did the sentence you read make sense?</p> |

Apple and the Worm

I bit an apple

That had a worm.

I swallowed the apple,

I swallowed the worm.

I felt it squiggle,

I felt it squirm.

I felt it wiggle,

I felt it turn.

It felt so slippery,

Slimy, scummy,

I felt it land - PLOP - In my tummy!

I guess that worm is there to stay

Unless . . . I swallow a bird some day!

Too Sad

It's such a shock,
I almost screech
When I find a worm
Inside my peach!
But then, what really
Makes me blue
Is to find a worm
Who's bitten in two!

by William Cole

The Worm

When the earth is turned in spring
The worms are fat as anything.

And birds come flying all around
To eat the worms right off the ground.

They like the worms just as much as I
Like bread and milk and apple pie.

And once, when I was very young,
I put a worm right on my tongue.

I didn't like the taste a bit,
And so I didn't swallow it.

But oh, it makes my Mother squirm
Because she thinks I ate that worm!

by Ralph Bergengren

Worm

Little worm - wiggle wiggle,
You make me and my sister giggle.
You live in mud,
You live in wet,
Yet never, ever see a vet.
You must be very healthy, worm,
Wiggle, wiggle, wiggle, squirm.

Spike Milligan

Wiggly Earthworm

(Make a fist to be the apple)

There was a wiggly earthworm,

(Wiggle index finger.)

Who wiggled all around.

One day he saw an apple

Sitting on the ground.

"Oh, I love apples," said the worm.

And he opened his mouth wide.

(Open mouth wide.)

He munched through the apple

(Wiggle finger through the apple.)

And peeked out the other side.