A large yellow sticky note with a black border, a folded top-right corner, and a piece of white tape at the top center. The text "Tongue Twisters" is written in the center in a cursive font. Below it are two speech bubbles and a wavy line. At the bottom, a rounded rectangle contains the author's name and website.

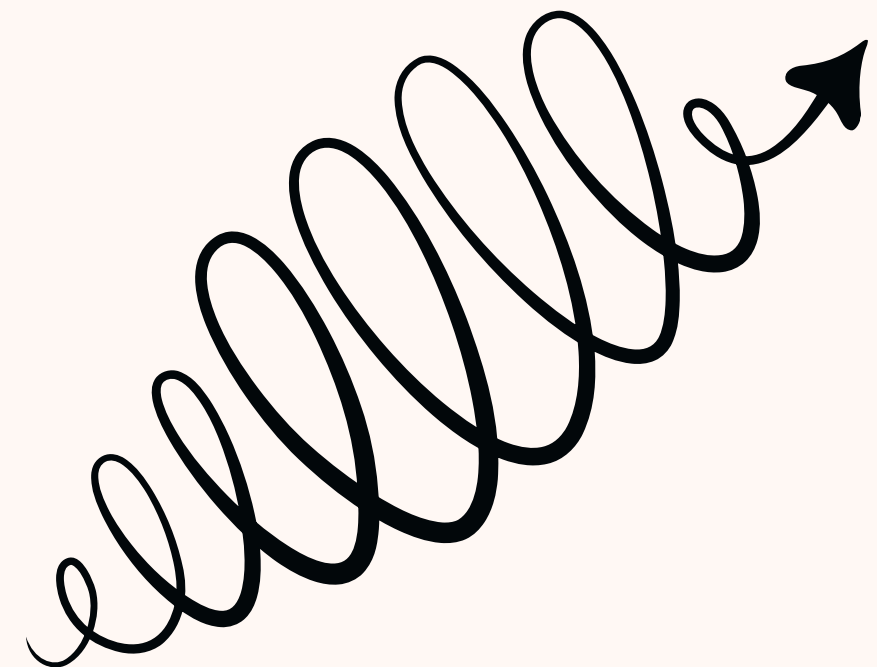
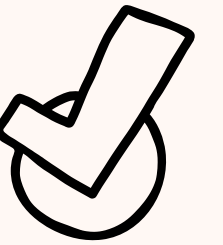
Tongue Twisters

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Repeat, repeat!

- Big blue bus
- Red lorry, yellow lorry
- Sheep should sleep in a shed
- She sees cheese
- Zebras zig and zebras zag
- The blue bluebird blinks
- Four, fine, fresh, fish for you
- He threw three balls
- Greek grapes, Greek grapes, Greek grapes
- Toy boat
- Follow the fellow
- Snakes slither slowly
- Rubber baby buggy bumpers
- Unique New York
- Baboon bamboo

- Green, glass globes glow greenly
- Daddy Draws Doors.
- Upper roller, lower roller
- A proper coffee pot
- Good blood, bad blood



Now try these:

- Bouncing bed bugs borrowed blankets
- Billy Bob blabbered boldly
- Shelly sheared sheep
- Babbling baby boys blurted boldly
- Laughing Lucie lost loads of loot
- Light the night light tonight
- Kids and kittens knit in the kitchen
- Cooks look at cookbooks while cooking
- Addie asked for apples
- Divers dive deep

- I looked right at Larry's rally and left in a hurry
- Round and round the rugged rocks the ragged rascal ran
- A bragging baker baked black bread.
- Mix a box of mixed biscuits with a boxed biscuit mixer
- Say this sharply, say this sweetly
- Say this shortly, say this softly
- Say this sixteen times very quickly
- Shave a single shingle thin
- Betty bought a bit of butter, but the butter Betty bought was bitter!
- She sells sea shells on the sea shore!
- I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice-cream!

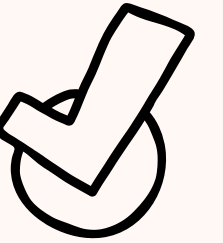
Getting trickier:

- Cooks cook cupcakes quickly.
- A big black bear sat on a big black rug
- Rory's lawn rake rarely rakes really right.
- Kitty caught the kitten in the kitchen
- We surely shall see the sunshine soon
- Six slimy snails slid slowly seaward
- Four furious friends fought for the phone.
- Which wristwatches are Swiss wristwatches?
- Seventy-seven benevolent elephants
- Six sleek swans swam swiftly southwards
- Fred fed Ted bread, and Ted fed Fred bread

- If a dog chews shoes, whose shoes does he choose?
- No need to light a night-light on a light night like tonight.
- If you want to buy, buy, if you don't want to buy, bye-bye!
- The great Greek grape growers grow great Greek grapes
- A cup of proper coffee in a copper coffee cup
- Five frantic frogs fled from fifty fierce fishes

Even trickier:

- Tommy tossed his twelfth tooth when it turned two times
- Six quick hicks named Nick licked a brick
- Nick kicked a slick brick at Rick, but the slick brick hit Nick
- She shrieked at Shirley surprised by shells of selfish shellfish
- The raging ram runs 'round rugged Ricky to hit Mickey
- Mister Matt mastered math matters, or maybe math that matters mastered Mister Matt?
- Which wishful witch whisked west while whittling wistful whisks?
- Can clams cram cans of candy?
- Nosy Nils annoys the noisy boys
- Growing glowworm, go glow on the glowing globe
- Lesser leather never weathered wetter weather better
- I wish to wash my Irish wristwatch



Longer Twisters:

- Whether the weather is warm, whether the weather is hot, we have to put up with the weather, whether we like it or not.
- If you must cross a course cross cow across a crowded cow crossing, cross the cross coarse cow across the crowded cow crossing carefully.
- How much dew does a dewdrop drop? If dewdrops do drop dew, as do dewdrops drop, if dewdrops do drop dew.

- I thought a thought, but the thought I thought wasn't the thought I thought I thought. If the thought I thought I thought had been the thought I thought, I wouldn't have thought so much!
- You know New York, you need New York, you know you need unique New York!

Extend the learning:

- Invite the children to compose their own tongue twisters and provide an opportunity for them to share them with their peers and families
- Explore some tongue twisters in different languages!
- Illustration station - invite the children to choose tongue twisters and create corresponding illustrations
- Stopwatch - in groups or pairs, challenge the children to repeat their tongue twister correctly as many times as possible using a timer. Incorporate mathematical knowledge and create tallies and graphs of times etc.
- Phonological Awareness:
 - Word awareness - clap, stamp, walk, jump or hop for every word in the tongue twister
 - Syllable Awareness - clap, stamp, walk, jump or hop for every syllable in the tongue twister
- Sing it - can you sing the tongue twister? Choose a memorable air or nursery rhyme refrain that works with the rhythm of the tongue twister!

- **Gaeilge:** "Seacht sicín ina seasamh sa sneachta lá seaca." (Seven chickens standing in the snow on a frosty day.)
- **French:** "Je suis ce que je suis, et si je suis ce que je suis, qu'est-ce que je suis ?"
(I am what I am, and if I am what I am, what am I ?)
- **Swedish:** "Plocka pepparkorn i en kopparpanna"
(To pick peppercorns in a copper pan)
- **Spanish:** "Papá, pon pan para Pepín. Para Pepín pon pan, Papá."
(Dad, serve bread to Pepin. Pepin, serve bread to Dad)

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