

KS1 English Quiz - Onomatopoeia (Questions)

This quiz works on expanding the vocabulary of children in Key Stage 1. Onomatopoeia words are used in their daily lives and it is important for them to know how to write them. Stories can be brought to life by using onomatopoeia and this quiz aims to improve their knowledge of literacy and, of course, the English language.

Sometimes it's easier to say what we want to write. This is certainly the case when we want to explain the noise of a crashing window pane. That's why we use words called onomatopoeias – they are words that spell sounds.

1. Finish this sentence with an onomatopoeia: The bomb went...



- ping
- crackle
- swoosh
- boom

2. Finish this sentence with an onomatopoeia: The doorbell went...



- boing
- bang
- ding dong
- ding dang

3. What noise do bees make?



- squeak
- bleat
- buzz
- quack

4. Finish this sentence with an onomatopoeia: The crying baby screamed...



- baa
- meow
- waaa
- woof

5. Which word sounds like the noise a dog makes?



- oink
- woof
- roar
- meow

6. What noise will these children make when they jump?



- bang
- swoosh
- boing
- splash

7. Finish this sentence with an onomatopoeia: The fire...



- crackled
- was hot
- was red
- banged

8. This person is diving into the water. What sound will this make?



- boing
- meow
- splash
- whoosh

9. Finish this sentence with an onomatopoeia: The wolf went...



- meow
- cluck
- grrr
- hiccup

10. Which word describes the noise a runny tap makes?



- drip
- boing
- bang
- smash

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Onomatopoeias make your writing more vivid and interesting, so try to include one next time you write a story.

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For this, we could say they buzz or bzzzz.

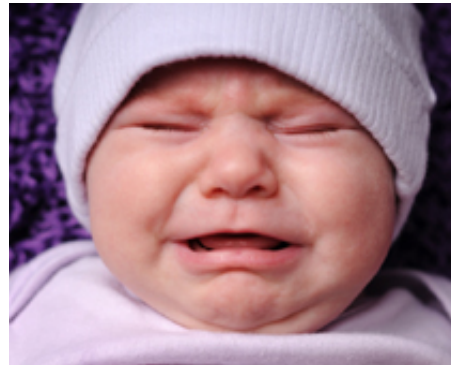
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Nowadays you can change the sound of your doorbell, whereas before it always made a 'ding dong' noise.

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The word 'waaa' won't be in the dictionary as it's a made up word. It's a word used to explain a sound.

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Onomatopoeias try to recreate the way a noise sounds through letters.

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Every house should have a fire alarm fitted - it's best to be safe!

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Wolves live and hunt in groups called packs.

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Trampolining is in the Olympics!

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A fixed diving board is called a platform.

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The word tells you what is happening and the sound it makes. All the other answers are onomatopoeias too.