

## SELECTED TONGUE TWISTERS

Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers. Did Peter Piper pick a peck of pickled peppers?  
If Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers, where's the peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked?

Plain bun, plum bun, bun without plum.

A proper cup of coffee from a proper copper coffee pot. Give papa a cup of proper coffee in a copper coffee cup.

Tommy Tucker tried to tie Tammy's Turtles tie.

The two-twenty-two train tore through the tunnel.

Twelve twins twirled twelve twigs.

Three twigs twined tightly.

A twister of twists once twisted a twist; a twist that he twisted was a three-twisted twist;  
If in twisting a twist one twist should untwist, the untwisted twist would untwist the twist.

Mr. Tongue Twister tried to train his tongue to twist and turn, and twit an twat, to learn the letter ""T"".

A tree toad loved a she-toad who lived up in a tree. He was a two-toed tree toad, but a three-toed toad was she.  
The two-toed tree toad tried to win the three-toed she-toad's heart, for the two-toed tree toad loved the ground  
that the three-toed tree toad trod. But the two-toed tree toad tried in vain, he couldn't please her whim.  
From her tree toad bower with her three-toed power the she-toad vetoed him.

Crisp crusts crackle crunchily.

It's not the cough that carries you off, it's the coffin they carry you off in!

If coloured caterpillars could change their colours constantly could they keep their coloured coat coloured properly?

Crush grapes, grapes crush, crush grapes, grapes crush, crush grapes, grapes crush, crush grapes, grapes crush

Black background, brown background.

Big black bugs bleed blue black blood but baby black bugs bleed blue blood.

A box of biscuits, a box of mixed biscuits, and a biscuit mixer

A big black bug bit a big black bear and made the big black bear bleed blood.

The big black bug bit the big black bear, but the big black bear bit the big black bug back!

Blake's black bike's back brake bracket block broke.

Brad's big black bath brush broke.

Ruby Rugby's brother bought and brought her back some rubber baby-buggy bumpers.

Betty Botter had some butter,  
"But," she said, "this butter's bitter.  
If I bake this bitter butter,  
it would make my batter bitter.  
But a bit of better butter--  
*that* would make my batter better."

So she bought a bit of butter,  
better than her bitter butter,  
and she baked it in her batter,  
and the batter was not bitter.  
So 'twas better Betty Botter

bought a bit of better butter.

Betty bought some bitter butter  
and it made her batter bitter,  
so Betty bought some better butter  
to make her bitter batter better.

Bake big batches of bitter brown bread. Bake big batches of brown blueberry bread.

Double bubble gum, bubbles double.

Ken Dodd's dad's dog's dead.

Did Doug dig Dick's garden or did Dick dig Doug's garden?

Ed had edited it.

Three gray geese in the green grass grazing. Gray were the geese and green was the grass.

How much ground could a grounghog grind if a groundhog could grind ground?

Blue glue gun, green glue gun.

Good blood, bad blood, good blood, bad blood, good blood, bad blood.

Green glass globes glow greenly.

The great Greek grape growers grow great Greek grapes.

Give me the gift of a grip top sock: a drip-drape, ship-shape, tip-top sock.

Knapsack strap.

Pope Sixtus VI's six texts.

Six twin screwed steel steam cruisers.

Six shimmering sharks sharply striking shins.

Shy Shelly says she shall sew sheets.

Six short slow shepherds.

Does this shop sport short socks with spots?

Sure the ship's shipshape, sir.

She sells sea shells by the sea shore. The shells she sells are surely seashells.  
So if she sells shells on the seashore, I'm sure she sells seashore shells.

We surely shall see the sun shine soon.

National Sheepshire Sheep Association

Say this sharply, say this sweetly, Say this shortly, say this softly. Say this sixteen times in succession.

Swan swam over the sea,  
Swim, swan, swim!  
Swan swam back again  
Well swum, swan!

The soldier's shoulder surely hurts!

The soldiers shouldered shooters on their shoulders.

She said she should sit.

I saw Susie sitting in a shoe shine shop. Where she sits she shines, and where she shines she sits.

Six slippery snails, slid slowly seaward.

Six sleek swans swam swiftly southwards

Six shining cities, six shining cities, six shining cities.

A pessimistic pest exists amidst us.

Strange strategic statistics.

Scissors sizzle, thistles sizzle.

Chop shops stock chops.

Suzie Seaward's fish-sauce shop sells unsifted thistles for thistle-sifters to sift.

She sifted thistles through her thistle-sifter.

The sixth sick sheik's sixth sheep's sick.

Tim, the thin twin tinsmith.

Thin sticks, thick bricks

This is the sixth zebra snoozing thoroughly.

Six thick thistle sticks. Six thick thistles stick.

Thieves seize skis.

Four furious friends fought for the phone.

Three Tree Turtles

Three free throws. He threw three free throws.

Tom threw Tim three thumbtacks.

I thought, I thought of thinking of thanking you.

I thought a thought. But the thought I thought wasn't the thought I thought I thought.

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.

Thank the other three brothers of their father's mother's brother's side.

They both, though, have thirty-three thick thimbles to thaw.

Thirty-three thousand people think that Thursday is their thirtieth birthday.

Thirty-three thirsty, thundering thoroughbreds thumped Mr. Thurber on Thursday.

King Thistle stuck a thousand thistles in the thistle of his thumb.

A thousand thistles King Thistle stuck in the thistle of his thumb.

If King Thistle stuck a thousand thistles in the thistle of his thumb,

How many thistles did King Thistle stick in the thistle of his thumb?

Nothing is worth thousands of deaths.

Elizabeth's birthday is on the third Thursday of this month.

The thirty-three thieves thought that they thrilled the throne throughout Thursday.

There those thousand thinkers were thinking how did the other three thieves go through.

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Through three cheese trees three free fleas flew. While these fleas flew, freezy breeze blew.  
Freezy breeze made these three trees freeze. Freezy trees made these trees' cheese freeze.  
That's what made these three free fleas sneeze.

Whether the weather be fine or whether the weather be not.  
Whether the weather be cold or whether the weather be hot.  
We'll weather the weather whether we like it or not.

Sweater weather, leather weather.

A lump of red leather, a red leather lump

Red leather, yellow leather, ...

Rory the warrior and Roger the worrier were reared wrongly in a rural brewery.

A loyal warrior will rarely worry why we rule.

Truly rural, truly rural, truly rural, ...

Willie's really weary.

Really leery, rarely Larry

Real rock wall, real rock wall, real rock wall

A real rare whale.

We're real rear wheels.

Real weird rear wheels

Willy's real rear wheel

Red lolly, yellow lolly, red lolly, yellow lolly.

Red lorry, yellow lorry, red lorry, yellow lorry.

Wow, race winners really want red wine right away!

Ripe white wheat reapers reap ripe white wheat right.

On a lazy laser raiser lies a laser ray eraser.

Are our oars oak?

What did you have for breakfast? Rubber balls and liquor!  
What did you have for lunch? Rubber balls and liquor!  
What did you have for dinner? Rubber balls and liquor! Rubber balls and liquor!

Near an ear, a nearer ear, a nearly eerie ear.

You know New York. You need New York. You know you need unique New York.

A Swiss wristwatch, an Irish wristwatch, A Swiss wristwatch, an Irish wristwatch

Which wristwatch is a Swiss wristwatch? Swatch is a Swiss wristwatch.

I wish to wash my Irish wristwatch.

Rhys watched Ross switch his Irish wristwatch for a Swiss wristwatch.

If two witches would watch two watches, which witch would watch which watch?

Which witch wished which wicked wish?

I wish to wish the wish you wish to wish, but if you wish the wish the witch wishes, I won't wish the wish you wish to wish.

I wish I were what I was when I wished I were what I am.

One-One was a racehorse. Two-Two was one, too. When One-One won one race, Two-Two won one, too.

Vincent vowed vengeance very vehemently.

Very well, very well, very well ...

Yellow butter, purple jelly, red jam, black bread. Spread it thick, say it quick!  
Yellow butter, purple jelly, red jam, black bread. Spread it thicker, say it quicker!  
Yellow butter, purple jelly, red jam, black bread. Don't eat with your mouth full!

Give me the gift of a grip-top sock,  
A clip drape shipshape tip top sock.  
Not your spinslick slapstick slipshod stock,  
But a plastic, elastic grip-top sock.  
None of your fantastic slack swap slop  
From a slap dash flash cash haberdash shop.  
Not a knick knack knitlock knockneed knickerbocker sock  
With a mock-shot blob-mottled trick-ticker top clock.  
Not a supersheet seersucker rucksack sock,  
Not a spot-speckled frog-freckled cheap sheik's sock  
Off a hodge-podge moss-blotched scotch-botched block.  
Nothing slipshod drip drop flip flop or glip glop  
Tip me to a tip top grip top sock.

(articulation warmup for actors)