

**“How to write a non-sense story” game:
Write it... Fold it... and Pass it round**

This game aims at writing non-sense stories. Its principle is here applied to limericks writing

Instructions for students

Step 1- Follow the instructions below or handout a ready-made strip to each student then pass on to step 2

- Ask each student to cut out a strip of paper about an 2 inches large and 5 inches long

- Then draw four lines to divide it in 5 parts

- Then write « who - where - when - what other wh- »in the top left hand corner of each box

Who (character-s)
Where (place)
When (time ref.)
What (vb)
Other wh- (how, why, etc.)

Step 2 –

- Fill in the « who » box with the name of 1 or 2 character (s)
- Fold the top of the strip so as to hide the content of the « who » box
- Pass the strip to your neighbour on the left.

Step 3 – (Don't unfold until step 7)

- Fill in the « where » box, writing the name of a place. Be careful with prepositions of place, in, at, to,...
- Fold the top of the strip so as to hide the content of the « who » and « where » boxes
- Pass to your neighbour on the left

Step 4 -

- Fill in the « when » box : be careful with prepositions of time, in, at, to,...
- Fold the top of the strip so as to hide the « who » where » and « when » boxes
- Pass to your neighbour on the left

Step 5 -

- Fill in the « what » box : write 1 or 2 verbs + object
- Fold the top of the strip so as to hide the « who » where » « when » and « what » boxes
- Pass to your neighbour on the left

Step 6 -

- Fill in the « other wh- » box , write a short phrase
- Fold the top of the strip so as to hide the « who » where » « when » « what » and « other wh- » boxes
- Pass to your neighbour on the left

Step 7 –

- Unfold the strip and read your words
- Try to improvise 1 or 2 lines of a limerick (respecting syllables) using as many words as possible from the list to make up a non-sense or funny story
- Take more time to write a limerick using at least 3 words from the list

How to count points?

- 1 point per improvised line (respecting syllables and rhythm of a limerick) produced spontaneously
- 1 point per word used from the list

Ready-made strips to cut out



Who (character-s)	Who (character-s)	Who (character-s)
Where (place)	Where (place)	Where (place)
When (time ref.)	When (time ref.)	When (time ref.)
What (vb)	What (vb)	What (vb)
Other wh- (how, why, etc.)	Other wh- (how, why, etc.)	Other wh- (how, why, etc.)