BRING POETRY TO LIFE!

So many poems in the book are ripe for dramatic interpretations by young readers. Some poems are even better interpreted by multiple readers. Cast actors to read each part in poems like “Nothing is Impossible (The Teacher and the Child),” “The Old Woman Who Lived in Achoo,” “The Argument,” and “Moral: If It’s Not Your Magic Wand, Leave It Alone.”

I’M ACTUALLY NOT SO BAD AT RHYMING!

WHAT YOU’LL NEED:

2 bells or buzzers
10-15 simple words on slips of paper
1 hat or other container for slips

It’s *Family Feud* for rhyming! Form two teams and select one player from each team to begin. Choose a word from the container and say it out loud. The first player to buzz in and call out a word that rhymes with the chosen word wins the chance for their team to control the board. Their team continues calling out rhyming words one by one until they come up with five rhyming words.

Passing, or saying a word that doesn’t rhyme, counts as a strike. If a team gets 3 strikes, control of the board goes to the other team, who must come up with a rhyming word of their own. If they come up with a word, they win a point. If not, the original team wins the point. Repeat the process for each round. First team to reach five points wins!
Probably the biggest challenge for a poet is finding the right words... but not anymore!

Find the words from *I’m Just No Good at Rhyming* in the word search below!

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T H I P P O A A
Z R C M K D V E
S Y E C E O H F
H N E S C O F F
D G A A S R P A
B M D I O E K R
D O P G L R D I
S P O L C Y C G
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Avocado  Dessert  Frog  Giraffe  Poem
Cyclops  Door  Gecko  Hippo  Snail
TAKING OVER FOR THE LAZIEST ARTIST IN THE WORLD

Can you help the laziest artist in the world? Fill in your interpretations below for your own version of “Alphabet Book (By the Laziest Artist in the World).”

__ is for _______

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I’m just no good at rhyming
And other nonsense for mischievous kids and immature grown-ups
Storytime kit

I’m a poet and didn’t even know it!
Writing poetry is easy (if you change a few words of a famous poem that already exists)!
Make the nursery rhymes below even better by adding your own words. Go mad!

Baa, baa, black ________________
(animal)
Have you any ________________?
(noun)
Yes sir, yes sir,
Three ________________ full.
(plural noun)
One for my ________________
(family member)
And one for the ________________
(occupation)
One for the ________________ boy
(adjective)
Who ________________ down the lane.
(verb)

Little Miss Muffet sat on a ________________,
(noun)
Eating her ________________ and whey.
(food)
Along came a ________________,
(animal)
Who ________________ beside her
(verb)
And ________________ Miss Muffet away.
(verb)

Yankee Doodle went to ________________,
(place)
A-ridin’ on a ________________.
(mode of transportation)
Stuck a ________________ in his cap,
(noun)
And called it ________________.
(silly word)

Mary, Mary, quite ________________
(adjective)
How does your garden ________________?
(verb)
With ________________ bells,
(color)
And ________________,
(plant)
And pretty ________________ all in a row.
(plural noun)