

Spoonerisms and Squiggly words!

Spoonerism and malapropism are two fun ways to play around with words and add humour to your creative writing.

Spoonerism: swapping the first letters of words in a phrase.

Can you work out the original words of these spoonerisms?

'Jipping and skumping' from *The BFG*

'catasterous disastrophe' from *The BFG*

Malapropism: using a made-up word that rhymes with, or sounds like, the original word.

Can you work out the original words of these malapropisms?

'bellypopper' from *The BFG*

'scrambled dregs' from *The BFG*

a) Have a go at creating some of your own spoonerisms:

Get squiggling some malapropisms for these words:

strawberries and cream

chocolate

rat's tails

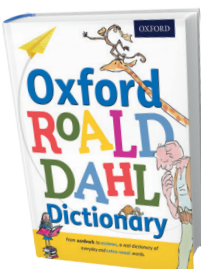
frogs legs

nail varnish

shampoo

Using spoonerisms and malapropisms write a recipe for one of the following:

- a) a new Wonka sweet for the Wonka chocolate factory
- b) a delayed action mouse-maker formula for The Grand High Witch
- c) a marvellous medicine for George's Grandma



Look up more examples of spoonerisms and malapropisms in the *Oxford Roald Dahl Dictionary*.

www.oxfordchildrens.co.uk/dictionaries

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