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# 壁炉上的蟋蟀

查理·狄更斯

查理·狄更斯于 1812 年出生在朴茨茅斯附近。

他 33 岁时写了《壁炉上的蟋蟀》。

故事：约翰和道特·皮埃瑞宾格夫妇过着美满的生活，直到一个陌生人闯入他们的家。约翰·皮埃瑞宾格以为这个陌生人要夺走他的妻子。他非常气愤。一只小蟋蟀劝他要相信自己的妻子——他依此而行。

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# The Cricket on the Hearth

Charles Dickens

*Charles Dickens was born near Portsmouth in 1812.*

*He wrote The Cricket on the Hearth when he was 33 years old.*

*Story: John and Dot Peerybingle are very happy until a stranger arrives at their house. John Peerybingle thinks the stranger wants to take his wife away. He is very angry. A little cricket speaks to John and convinces him to trust his wife – and he does.*

## FIRST READERS.

ALL YOUR FAVOURITE STORIES IN A LITTLE BOOK.  
THEY ARE EASY TO READ AND FUN TOO!

*La Spiga*  
LANGUAGES

# THE CRICKET ON THE HEARTH

It's five o'clock. Time  
for tea.

Mrs Peerybingle makes  
the tea.

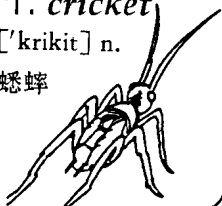
She sees a cricket<sup>1</sup> on  
the hearth<sup>2</sup>!

Crickets are very lucky<sup>3</sup>!

## 1. cricket

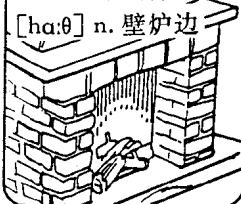
[ˈkrikit] n.

蟋蟀



## 2. hearth

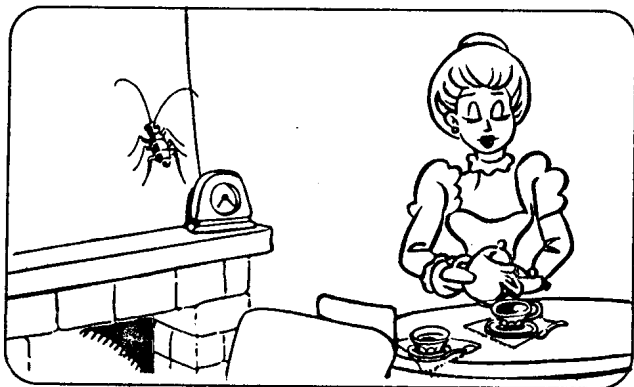
[ha:θ] n. 壁炉边



## 3. lucky

[ˈlʌki] adj.

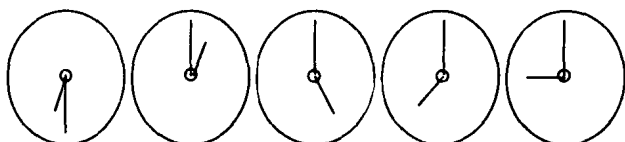
幸运的,  
好运的





## ACTIVITY

 Look at the example and write similar sentences about the times.



breakfast   lunch   tea   dinner   bed

What's the time?

*It's half-past seven. It's time for breakfast.*

What's the time?

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.....?

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.....

Mr Peerybingle  
gets off his cart and  
goes in the house.  
He is tired<sup>1</sup>.

Mr Peerybingle is a  
postman<sup>2</sup>.

He gets up very  
early in the  
morning.

1. *tired*

[taɪəd] adj.

疲乏的，  
疲倦的




2. *postman*

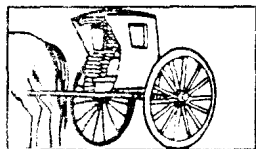
['pəʊstmən] n. 邮差



## ACTIVITY

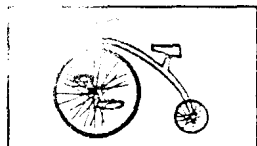
-  Look at the example and write similar sentences about the pictures.

Mr Peerybingle gets off  
his cart.



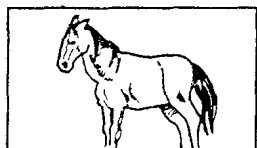
cart

John .....



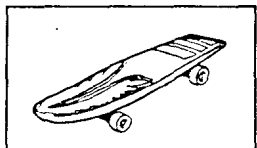
bicycle

Mary .....



horse

Peter .....



skate-board

1. *to hear* 听见,  
听到




2. *pretty* ['priti] adj.  
漂亮的,  
好看的

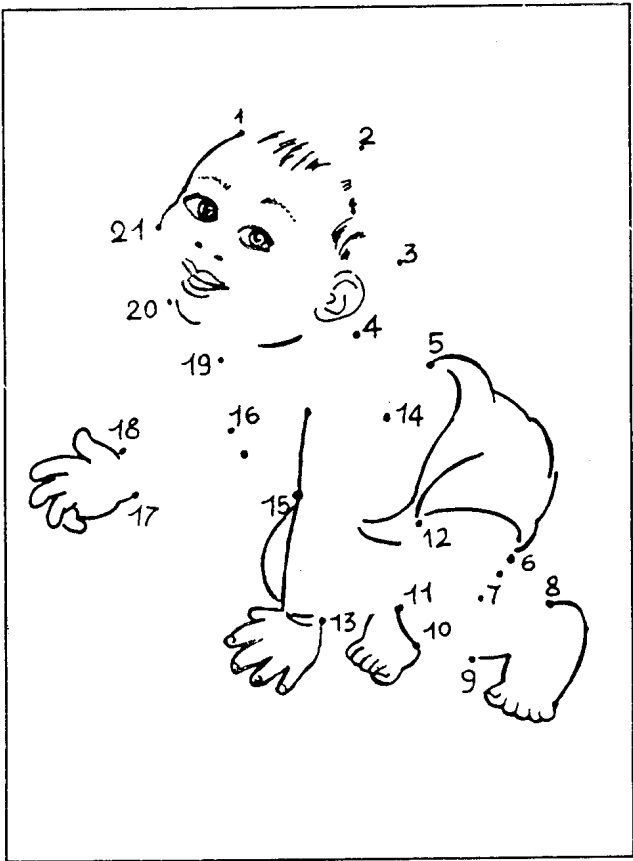


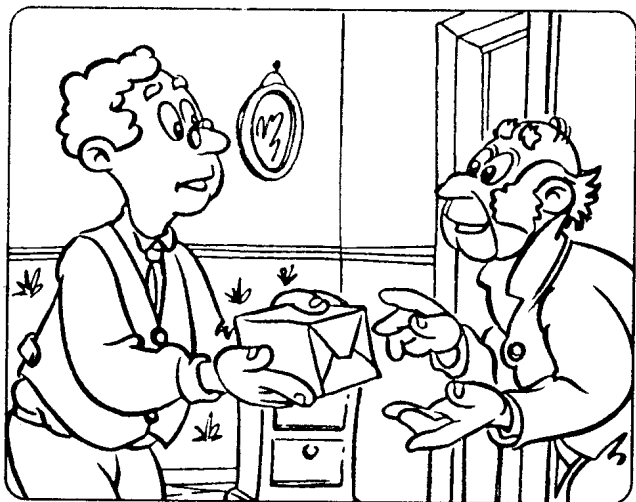
Mr Peerybingle hears<sup>1</sup> the cricket.  
"Yes, I am a lucky man," he thinks.  
"I love my wife very much. She's good  
and pretty<sup>2</sup> too."



ACTIVITY

 What Mr and Mrs Peerybingle have got? Join the dots and find out.





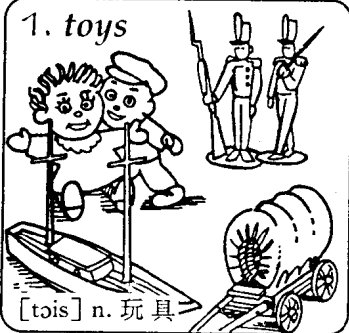
Caleb Plummer makes toys<sup>1</sup>.

He makes dolls, soldiers, boats and carts.

"Have you got my packet<sup>2</sup>?" asks Caleb.

"Yes, here you are," says the postman.

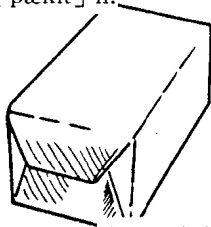
1. toys



[tɔɪs] n. 玩具


2. packet

['pækɪt] n.



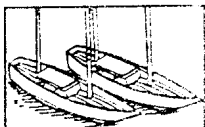
包裹, 小包

# ACTIVITY

-  What are the names of these toys?  
Put the letters in the correct order  
and find out.

OTBSA

.....



RACT

.....



OSLDL

.....



RSOESDIL

.....



How many ..... are there?

There are .....

How many ..... ?

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..... ?

.....

..... ?

"Have you got a packet for me?"

asks Mr Tackleton.

"Ohhhh, it's a wedding cake<sup>1</sup>!"

shouts Mrs Peerybingle.

"Yes, I'm marrying<sup>2</sup> your friend May on Wednesday."

1. *wedding cake*

结婚蛋糕



2. *to marry*

结婚





## ACTIVITY



**Put the days of the week in the correct order.**

Thurs .....day.

Satur .....day.

Mon .....day.

Fri .....day.

Wednes .....day.

Sun .....day.

What day is it today?

It's .....