

Tuesday 7.7.20

Using the poems **Please Mrs Butler** and **Excuses** by Allan Ahlberg, you will practise summarising. You will also give your opinion, using the text as evidence to support you. Follow the link to take you to BBCBITESIZE to know what to do.

I have copied the poems here if you want to print them out.

For each of the poems do Activity 1 and 2

Do not go onto 3.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zr93bdm>

### ***Please Mrs Butler***

*Please Mrs Butler  
This boy Derek Drew  
Keeps copying my work, Miss.  
What shall I do?*

*Go and sit in the hall, dear.  
Go and sit in the sink.  
Take your books on the roof, my lamb.  
Do whatever you think.*

*Please Mrs Butler  
This boy Derek Drew  
Keeps taking my rubber, Miss.  
What shall I do?*

*Keep it in your hand, dear.  
Hide it up your vest.  
Swallow it if you like, my love.  
Do what you think best.*

*Please Mrs Butler  
This boy Derek Drew  
Keeps calling me rude names, Miss.  
What shall I do?*

*Lock yourself in the cupboard, dear.  
Run away to sea.  
Do whatever you can, my flower.  
But don't ask me!*

## **Excuses**

*I've writ on the wrong page, Miss.  
My pencil went all blunt.  
My book was upside-down, Miss.  
My book was back to front.*

*My margin's gone all crooked, Miss.  
I've smudged mine with my scarf.  
I've rubbed a hole in the paper, Miss.  
My ruler's broke in half.*

*My work's blew out the window, Miss.  
My work's fell in the bin.  
The leg's dropped off my chair, Miss.  
The ceiling's coming in.*

*I've ate a poison apple, Miss.  
I've held a poison pen!  
I think I'm being kidnapped, Miss!  
So . . . can we start again?*