#### Tips for writing your own limericks:

Limericks have 5 lines and the rhyming structure is AABBA.

The 3rd and 4th lines are shorter and share a different rhyme to the others.

You may find that the 5th line can be a variation/repetition of the 1st line.

Notice the definite rhythm in the words as you read your limericks.

Here's some examples I have managed write, and I look forward to hearing your limericks. :-)

#### Create your own Isle of Man limericks

Write your own limericks using place names from the Isle of Man. For example your opening line could be:

There was a young man from Ballaugh,
Who didn't know how to laugh.
He responded to tickles,
With tears and sniffles.
That miserable man from Ballaugh!

There was an old man of Snaefell.
Who was seen searching for a well.
They said, "Your a clown!"
"Because water flows down!"
That silly old man of Snaefell!

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### Create your own African limericks

Write your own limericks using African country or city names. It will be useful to have a map of Africa in front of you.

You could include people or African animals in your limerick.

For example:

There was a young man from Togo,
Who travelled to work on a pogo.
He bounced into a tree
And became a leopard's tea,
That edible man from Togo!

There was an impala from Ghana.
Who thought he might try a banana.
They said, "Your not a primate!"
And were going to be late,
That migrating impala from Ghana!

### Limericks of Edward Lear

#### Limerick

The was a Young Lady of Bute, Who played on a silver-gilt flute; She played several jigs, To her uncle's white pigs, That amusing Young Lady of Bute.

### Limerick

There was an Old Person of Dover,
Who rushed through a field of blue Clover;
But some very large bees,
Stung his nose and his knees,
So he very soon went back to Dover.

#### Limerick

There was an Old Man of Kilkenny, Who never had more than a penny; He spent all that money, In onions and honey, That wayward Old Man of Kilkenny.

## Limerick

There was on Old Man of the Isles,
Whose face was pervaded with smiles;
He sung high dum diddle,
And played on the fiddle,
That amiable Man of the Isles.

## Limerick

There was an Old Man of Kilkenny, Who never had more than a penny; He spent all that money, In onions and honey, That wayward Old Man of Kilkenny.

### Limerick

There was an Old Man of Moldavia, Who had the most curious behaviour; For while he was able, He slept on a table. That funny Old Man of Moldavia.

# Limerick

There was an Old Man in a boat, Who said, 'I'm afloat, I'm afloat!' When they said, 'No! you ain't!' He was ready to faint, That unhappy Old Man in a boat.

#### Limerick

There was an Old Man with a beard,
Who said, 'It is just as I feared!
Two Owls and a Hen,
Four Larks and a Wren,
Have all built their nests in my beard!'