The Hobbit: Riddle me!

First, watch the video of Bilbo meeting Gollum (SS Learn/LA/Hobbit/Bilbo meets Gollum)

Next, go to chapter 5 and reread the section when Bilbo meets and riddle battles Gollum. Copy your favorite riddle below:

Now, read about how you will write a riddle.

WRITING YOUR OWN…

Writing a riddle is the reverse of solving a puzzle – you have to start with the answer. So first, choose something to write about (objects or animals are good for beginners).

Once you know the solution, you have to think of the clues that will lead someone to guess it. Imagine you are that thing, and describe yourself.

You can use sentences such as:

I look like…

I sound like…

You find me…

I have…

I am…

I feel…

Try to use your imagination, and think of creative descriptions – if something is round like a ball, you could say ‘shaped like the earth’, or ‘a fat circle’.

When you are feeling ready, you can try and add a second part to the sentences, which starts with ‘but’.

Here is my own example – I wonder if you can guess it?

I am a green ball that doesn’t bounce

After I’ve been popped from my green house.

I’m good to eat, but not with a fork;

I’d help teach the alphabet if I could talk.

What am I?

Answer: A pea!

THE RULES

Don’t give away the answer by using the exact word in your riddle.

Try not to use more than 5 or 6 lines, because a riddle should be easy to remember.

It doesn’t have to rhyme, but it can if you like.

Finish with the line ‘What am I?’

Now write your own riddle(s)!

Grading: 1 riddle (w/ answer of course) C, 2 riddles B, 3 riddles A

Riddle(s):