



## **Rib-Tickling Limericks Contest Entries**

### **Emily, 13, Colorado**

To our roof, in his sleigh, Santa flew.  
But he got stuck in our chimney flue.  
I tried to help him out,  
But he's grown quite stout,  
And I was rather weak from the flu.

### **Hallie**

There was a lady named Lizzy  
This lady she was a bit crazy  
Danced in a crowd  
People laughed loud  
I felt bad for her when she got dizzy

There was a weasel named Bleese  
He went searching for some cheese  
Stood in front of a cat  
On the weasel he sat  
Pop goes the weasel, burp excuse me

## **Keely, 10, Iowa**

I tried out for MasterChef Junior,  
I thought that I would be real super.  
I'd say to my pop,  
I came out on top,  
But instead I came out a loser.

## **Gwen, 13, Minnesota**

There once was a dog named Spark,  
Who had a tremendous bark.  
Though he was small  
It shook the town hall  
That loud little dog named Spark.

## **Emma ~ Finalist**

There once was a skunk named Lizzy  
her smell made her very dizzy  
she fell on the ground  
and rolled all around  
and worked herself into a tizzy

There once was a farmer named Mr. Drops  
he was so worried about his crops  
each day there they went  
there wasn't a hint  
it was devoured by cyclops

## **Brooke**

Tom saw the rain wash his chalk away,  
"you meany, never rain again I say!"!  
but later that night,  
the clouds blocked the light  
it rained more than ever in a day.

## **Renée, Ontario**

A young leprechaun was named Danny  
and he was so very chatty.  
He searched around  
for gold in the ground,  
but never found any—poor Danny!

## **Oliver, Ontario ~ Finalist**

There once was a boy named Hank  
With his cat he raided the bank  
He dove into the bay—  
He's getting away!  
He was floating—but then he sank

A boy once ate a red chilli  
'Stead of hot it rather was chilly  
Said the boy to his mom  
"That tasted was quite wrong  
Because they were grown down in Chile

## **Alexander, 12, Washington**

There once was a blind man named Blank  
Who loved to drive his rusty old tank  
Now that was until he rode off a very steep hill  
And spent all of his money on the hospital bill  
Then a friend bought him a boat in lieu of his tank, but it sank (goodbye Blank)

## **Jeremy, 12, British Columbia**

### **Cool Machine**

There once was a cool machine  
It was very smart and keen  
Until Siri came along  
And ruined that song  
For that poor old little machine

### **The Tank**

There once was a man named frank  
In the army he drove a tank  
He hated this profession  
He has a confession  
He crashed that poor old tank

## **Nicole, 14, British Columbia ~ Honorable Mention**

### **Jetlag**

There once was a girl named Eepy  
No! She was not ever sleepy  
She flew in a plane  
She's no longer the same  
Poor Eepy is now pretty sleepy

### **My Twin**

I have a twin, her name is Cher  
What we love to do is stare  
Mom took my mirror  
Now I can't see her  
I guess she is no longer there

## **Helene, 7<sup>th</sup> grade, Nebraska**

There once was a girl named Jen,  
She loved nothing more than her pen.  
Then one day it broke,  
So she ran from her folks:  
And was replaced by a big fat hen.

## **Wyatt, 8<sup>th</sup> grade, Nebraska**

There once was a dog named Bessie,  
Who went on a swim with Nessie.  
She hobbled on back,  
With a leg she did lack;  
Her paws were so very messy.

## **Natalie, 12, Pennsylvania**

There once was a man named Clay,  
And a marvelous tune he played.  
Till one day, he broke a string,  
In the crowd was the king,  
And all the world knew of Sir. Clay.

There once was a boot that was white,  
And it shined so bright,  
That all who saw,  
Looked in awe,  
At the boot that was colored white.

## **Audra, 12, Ohio**

There once was a girl named Renee  
Who went out on a blustery day  
Away her hat flew  
And her mouth did too  
So Renee had nothing to say

## **Jeremiah, 11, New Jersey**

There once was a small dog named Piper  
and she was always very hyper;;  
called by the marines,  
she ate only greens  
and then was an excellent sniper.

There once was a young sloth we called Seth  
whose fav'rite thing to watch was MacBeth.  
He admired Shakespeare  
and he could not hear  
all the screams that preceded a death.

### **Elise, 13, New Jersey ~ Honorable Mention**

There was a little girl who liked math  
'cause she thought it was about giraffes.  
The class found it fun  
to see what she'd done  
and her homework was such a great laugh.

A man lived on the far side of town  
who liked to travel up street and down.  
His arms twisted so  
wherever he goes  
he says, "Come visit me, I'm around".

### **Betsy, 11, Florida**

There was a young gymnast named Ted,  
She wanted to flip on her bed,  
She fell to the side,  
With a thump and a cry,  
I wonder what the doctor has said.

### **Joey, 14, Florida**

The Japanese stood proud  
Talk 'bout victory, they found  
The great bomb was made  
Their destiny's fade,  
The scream of the bomb so loud.

## **Meghan, 13, Kentucky ~ Finalist**

There once was a crab named Moon  
Who taunted the sharks like a goon  
Then he met a large shark  
And his taunts found their mark  
And he ceased to speak none too soon

There was a man named O'Hearn  
Whose lesson he never could learn  
He lay in the sun  
Till the hour of one  
And sported a red sunburn

## **Mason, 12, Georgia**

BESEIGED, the video game

There once was a tank made for war  
It used its huge drill to bore  
But the hole in the wall  
Led to its downfall  
When its gun got stuck in the door

## **Torin, 12, Oregon**

*A Cephalopod Limerick*

There was a slippery squid named thyme  
he loved to swim fast, explore, and mime  
he was funny and fine,  
he saw a hook and line,  
fresh calamari goes well with lime!

## **Kira, 12, Wisconsin**

My name is Mrs. Nookie  
I want to bake a cookie  
What do I need  
Help me I plead  
Why don't I go buy a cookie

My name is Mr. Rye  
I want to bake a pie  
Coconut cream  
What do you dream  
Oh you meant the other pi

### **Eliana, 11, Texas**

There once was a young lady named Anne  
Who was married to a handsome young man  
She had a little girl  
Which made the man churl  
So down goes the blade, adieu Anne

### **Jack, 14, Maryland**

There once was a guy named Kent  
Who decided to pitch a tent  
But the tent didn't decide  
To have any one inside  
So Kent slept with out a tent

### **Esther, 14, Missouri**

There was a sad dog on a chain,  
Who lay all alone in the rain,  
Along hopped a frog,  
Who said to the dog,  
"Why be sad? Can't you see the rain?"

### **Ellie, 12, Maryland ~ Honorable Mention**

There once was a turkey named Cole  
Who never was ever quite full  
When Thanksgiving came by  
As fast as birds fly  
Then Cole was stuffed until full

There once was a girl named Dee  
Who really did like the sea  
But she didn't like sand  
For it cut her hand  
So she never went back to the sea

### **Jack, 12, British Columbia ~ 3<sup>rd</sup> Place**

With a mod I decided to mess  
Because it made Minecraft's fun less  
Got a variable wrong,  
Made a number too long;  
My world's now a haphazard mess!

I resolved Cover Story to try  
Even if it did make me cry  
I was instantly hooked  
Almost wrote a good book  
And still to its needs I comply!

### **Eve, 11, Alberta**

Anne of Cleve likes to leave  
dish detergent in her sleeve  
and when she takes a bath  
boom see the detergents wrath  
So Anne of Cleve no longer leaves dish detergent in her sleeve

### **Summer, 13, Oklahoma**

There once was a stubborn goat named Dane  
Who decided to stop a speeding train  
He jumped out in front  
He hit his head with a grunt  
And now that goat is not at all sane.

## **Autumn, 12, Montana**

There was once an incompetent knight  
Who swordless fought all dragons in sight  
He wrestled one dragon  
While riding a wagon  
But that dragon was hungry for knight

## **Abigail, 11, California ~ 2<sup>nd</sup> Place**

There once was a Corgi named Aries,  
Who lived amongst lilies and fairies.  
He ate all the cake,  
His belly could take,  
Yet now leaves no room for the berries.

Once was a tabby cat on a roof,  
Who in shock disappeared in a poof.  
We looked on the side,  
To see if it died,  
But ultimately we have no proof.

## **Jaren, 9, Colorado ~ Honorable Mention**

There once was a diver named Pat.  
He jumped off the board like a cat.  
He completed a twist,  
As he soared through the mist,  
Until on the cement he went splat.

## **Jace, 12, Colorado ~ 1<sup>st</sup> Place**

There once was a dad in the night  
Oh he had a great Lego fright!  
He stepped on a piece  
Left out by his niece  
And his foot was never quite right.

## **Ala, 11, Virginia**

### My Gemini

I once met a girl in a closet  
I dropped my hand down to my pocket  
She did the same  
inside her frame  
and I knew that we shared the same secret

I am trying to right this Limerick  
I am trying to write it really quick  
I don't have any time  
to make this thing rhyme  
to finish I'll need a magic trick

## **Hayley, 11, California**

There once was a ballet dancer,  
for some odd reason her name was Prancer.  
She had clumsy feet  
and too much to eat.  
She'd be better off as a financier.

## **Teresa, 12, Virginia ~ Honorable Mention**

There once was a poor man named Bob.  
He once got a very hard job.  
But there's only one question:  
What was his profession?  
He cleaned teddy bears with a swab.

## **Noah, 14, Texas**

There once was a boy named Miles  
who ziplined over crocodiles  
he fell from the line  
which snapped like a vine  
it's a sad story for all...but the crocodiles!

## **Will, 12, Texas**

There was a great guy named Bill,  
with a buck he decided to kill  
he sighted his scope  
with lots of fine hope  
I wonder what was God's will for Bill?

## **Annaliese, 13, Texas**

There once was a boy named Jake  
who would always be making a cake  
but one day he failed  
he yelled out and wailed  
"That took too many ingredients to make!"

## **Savanna, 13, Texas**

There is a young pup named Lucy  
who met a very dumb goosey  
he wanted to wed  
and ended up dead  
what ever happened to goosey?

## **Christy, 13, Texas**

I glided freely on the ice  
the wind on my face feeling nice  
but then came the fall  
ice skates and all,  
and I go rolling and tumbling like dice.

## **Jack, 12, Texas**

There once was a man named Joke  
that got stabbed 6 times in the throat  
he thought it was funny  
and was really quite bloody  
you can almost get a laugh out of Joke.

## **Claire, 15, Texas**

There once was a jolly old yellow snake  
he was just a fellow who liked to bake  
he decided to make  
a vanilla yummy cake  
the pretty color of the big bright blue lake.

## **Sophia, 11, Texas**

There once was a nice girl named Lucy.  
She rode her black horse to a movie.  
They tripped on a large rock,  
and fell on a gold clock.  
They never returned from the movie.

## **Jacqueline, 13, Texas**

There was a rat terrier named Gus.  
His rattling would cause such a fuss.  
Nervous as could be  
Poor old dog for me  
Was it schizophrenia or just us?

There once was a little dog named Eve.  
Originally known as small Steve.  
Their info was wrong,  
Turns out all along.  
She wore pink so why did they believe?

## **Clarissa, 15, Virginia ~ Honorable Mention**

There once was a small Claradoodle  
Who was eating a single, sad noodle  
“Oh please don’t eat me”  
Noodle spoke unto she  
So she traded it for snickerdoodle

## **Austin, 12, Missouri**

There once was a Minifig  
Who likes the fruit fig  
But one night he fell into a beehive  
When he got out he swore, I shall never wander

Once there was a Minifig who liked stars  
But could only look at them from bars  
Then one night a man freed him  
He didn't know who it was because the light was dim  
So he thanked the man and walked away, who that man could be

## **Elijah, 13, Pennsylvania**

I bought a plane that flies in the rain  
It likes to boop and bop  
It hurt my heels so I popped its wheels  
I hate that rickety plane.