

Can you beat a silly poem? ‘  
My Delicious Hat’ is  
deliciously foolish. I tried  
to read it aloud without  
laughing, but I can’t! Why  
don’t you try? Or ask  
someone to read it to you,  
and watch how they try not  
to giggle.

Anne Tannam



## My Delicious Hat

Paul Timoney

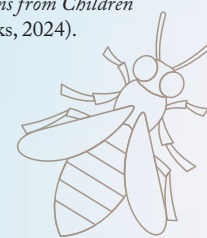


I had a hat made out of bread.  
A seagull landed on my head.  
He screamed ‘caw caw’ and pecked the peak,  
Then flew off with it in his beak.

My gran tried shoes made out of lettuce.  
A snail slid by and when he met us  
He said, ‘Fling floo’ and chewed her toes.  
Gran shrugged and sighed – ‘That’s how life goes.’

My dad wore trousers made of pollen.  
A bee buzzed by – a bee named Colin.  
He winked and grinned, said, ‘Hello Sports,’  
Next thing Dad knew – he’s wearing shorts.

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## Activity

# My Delicious Hat - Be Inspired - Write your own poem!

I hope you enjoyed 'My Delicious Hat'. You could write your own poem here. What would you like to write about? What other things might clothes be made out of? Paul Timoney, the delightfully silly poet who wrote this poem, loves to play with made-up words like 'Fling-floo'. What made-up words might you use? And Paul composed the poem using three verses, each with four lines. And every two lines have the same end rhyme, like 'bread' and 'head' or 'peak' and 'beak'. You could try copying the form Paul used or creating your own. Go on; give it a go!

**If you don't want to write you could draw a picture instead.**

