'OAK' WORD GAME

There are two parts to this exercise which can be done separately or one after the other. With younger pupils this may work best as small group exercises

1. **Ask pupils to think of any words with the letters 'oak' in it in that order**. Possible answers:

*cloak, croak, croaked, cloakroom, soak, soaked, soaking, croaking*

Check understanding of the meaning of these words and/or ask for examples of their use in a sentence

2. **Ask pupils to think of words that rhyme with 'oak'**. Note that to rhyme with oak the word does not have to have the letters o, a and k. Words of more than one syllable can also rhyme.

Example of a rhyme:

I am a teapot short and stout

This is my handle and this is my spout

Possible answers:

*Spoke, broke, coke, joke, folk, stoke, woke, awoke, choke, stroke, bespoke, yoke, yolk, artichoke.*

Note: some of these words have more than one meaning, e.g.

Spoke (of a wheel) or spoke (past tense of to speak)

Note: some words are spelled differently and have different meanings but sound the same, e.g. 'yoke' and 'yolk'

**Ask pupils to pick any two of these words and make a simple two-line rhyme**.

EXAMPLE:

Always ask the old folk

To tell you the best joke