

# Making Sense of Nonsense

## Answer Sheet



### Jabberwocky

“

'Twas **brillig**, and the **slithy toves**  
Did gyre and **gimble** in the **wabe**;  
All **mimsy** were the **borogoves**,  
And the mome **raths outgrabe**.

“Beware the **Jabberwock**, my son!  
The jaws that bite, the claws that catch!  
Beware the **Jubjub** bird, and shun  
The **frumious Bandersnatch!**”

He took his **vorpal** sword in hand:  
Long time the **manxome** foe he sought--  
So rested he by the **Tumtum** tree,  
And stood a while in thought.

And, as in **uffish** thought he stood,  
The **Jabberwock**, with eyes of flame,  
Came whiffing through the **tulgey** wood,  
And **burbled** as it came!

One, two! One, two! And through and through  
The **vorpal** blade went **snicker-snack!**  
He left it dead, and with its head  
He went **galumphing** back.

“And hast thou slain the **Jabberwock**?  
Come to my arms, my beamish boy!  
Oh **frabjous** day! **Callooh! Callay!**”  
He chortled in his joy.

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- Lewis Carroll

There are 36 words that Lewis Carroll made up in the Jabberwocky.  
(or 37 if “snicker-snack” is counted as 2 words)

Can you find them all? Underline the nonsense words.

If you're unsure look in a dictionary.