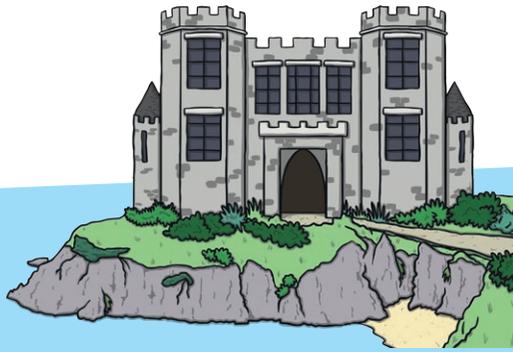


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31 But I can be happy building at home.
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48 That's where I'll make the castle for me:  
56 With a moat and portcullis, a drawbridge beside,  
64 And hundreds of turrets where people can hide.
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80 And dungeons for if you've committed a crime,  
91 For as long as I live, and wherever I may be,  
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99 castle by the sea.



# Quick Questions



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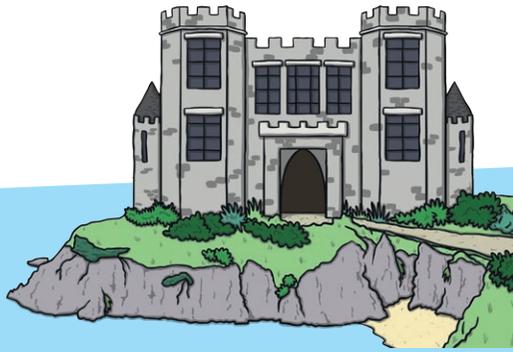
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# Answers



1. What is the child happy to do when it is raining?

**build with blocks at home**



2. Can you find a contraction in this poem and write it as two words?

**Accept any of the following: that's – that is, I'll – I will, you've – you have.**



3. Why do you think the child will always remember the castle they built?

**Accept any inference that relates to the text, e.g. because the child loved building it/because it's the best castle they've ever built.**



4. What do you think the child is going to build next with the blocks?

**Accept any sensible predictions, e.g. I think they will build a city.**