

The Moon



The moon has a face like the clock in the hall;
She shines on thieves on the garden wall,
On streets and fields and harbour quays,
And birdies asleep in the forks of the trees.

The squalling cat and the squeaking mouse,
The howling dog by the door of the house,
The bat that lies in bed at noon,
All love to be out by the light of the moon.

But all of the things that belong to the day,
Cuddle to sleep to be out of her way;
And flowers and children close their eyes,
Till up in the morning the sun shall arise.

- Robert Louis Stevenson



1. What is the moon's face like?

1 mark

2. Which of these does the moon shine on? Tick **one** box.

birdies

boats

horses

people

1 mark

3. What does *'the bat that lies in bed at noon'* mean?

1 mark

4. Find and copy the name of three animals that *'All love to be out by the light of the moon'*.

1 mark

5. What three noises does the poet hear at night?

1 mark
total for
this page

6. What does 'things that belong to the day' mean?

1 mark

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7. Which of these 'close their eyes'? Tick **one** box.

1 mark

flowers and children

cats and mice

birdies and dogs

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8. What does this mean?

1 mark

*And flowers and children close their eyes
Till up in the morning the sun shall arise.*
