

A Learning Challenge — *Jabberwocky*

Jabberwocky By Lewis Carroll

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

"Beware the Jabberwock, my son!
The jaws that bite, the claws that catch!
Beware the Jubjub bird, and shun
The _____ Bandersnatch!"

He took his vorpal _____ in hand:
Long time the manxome foe he sought—
So rested he by the Tumtum tree,
And stood awhile in thought.

And as in uffish _____ he stood,
The Jabberwock, with eyes of flame,
Came whiffling through the _____ wood,
And _____ 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 _____ back.

"And hast thou slain the Jabberwock?
Come to my arms, my beamish boy!
O _____ day! Callooh! Callay!"
He chortled in his joy.

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Can you imagine words to fill the gaps?

What do you think these words might mean?

SLITHY

VORPAL

WHIFFLING

MANXOME