

In Eagles class we studied the poem 'The Listeners' by Walter de la Mare. After understanding the poem, we wrote our own versions, based on the poem, but set in an entirely different setting, often in the modern world.

Here are some examples of our work:

"What is the time?" asked the little boy,
hoping for Leicester to win.
The flashing floodlights shone in his tiny eyes.
Children chanting and cheering.
His angry dad, shouting at the hot-dog man
The downstairs commentating like a radio.
The confused boy wondered why the ref was so bad.

"we shouldn't use him again" he said.

By Freddie - Year 5 (an avid Leicester City supporter!)

"Can I go to football?" shouted the little boy
Getting his new football kit on.
In the kitchen, the kettle boiled.
A yellow bright light shone through the window
As steam flew up into the air.
The boy coughed like it was stuck in his throat.
Light coming this way made a sound like a digger.
Angry, the boy gets, as he can't go to football.
"But I already have my new kit on. It's not fair!
I'm getting Dad to take me. He's nicer!" he said.

By Millie – Year 5

"Want to 1v1 me?" said the GTA games player
Miraculously playing GTA online.
Weird looking cars looking like Smart cars on steroids.
Sitting on a bouncy, squeaky chair made of leather.
People talking on their headsets.
People arguing.
The gamer feeling nervous, in case he crashes in his super car.
He became proud, because he made an amazing stunt.
He repeated his question and added five seconds later,
"If you don't accept, I'll 1v1 you myself..."
Or not..." he said – 3 seconds later as he was exploded by the rival player
using a homing missile launcher!

By Jake – Year 6 – A very keen gamer.

“When was the First World War?” asked the new teacher,
Striding round the bright classroom.
Twenty tiny faces looked at her blankly.
She caught sight of the books set out neatly.
The silence of the children concentrating
The teacher rambling on.
Upset because she thought no one was listening
Excited because it was time to go home.
“The First World War was 1914 to 1918,
you need to remember this,” she said.

By April – Year 5