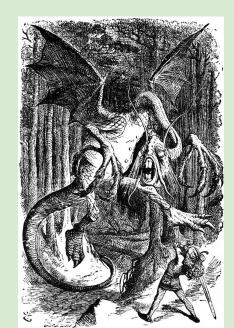
Jabberwocky

A nonsense poem by Lewis Carroll

It is featured in 'Through the Looking-Glass and What Alice Found There'



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'Twas brillig, and the slithy toves

All mimsy were the borogoves,

Did gyre and gimble in the wabe:

And the mome raths outgrabe.

The jaws that bite, the claws that catch!

"Beware the Jabberwock, my son!

Beware the Jubjub bird, and shun

The functions Developed

The frumious Bandersnatch!"

He took his vorpal sword in hand;

So rested he by the Tumtum tree

Long time the manxome foe he sought—

And stood awhile in thought.

The Jabberwock, with eyes of flame,

And, as in uffish thought he stood,

Came whiffling through the tulgey wood,

And burbled so it con

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?

O frabjous day! Callooh! Callay!"

Come to my arms, my beamish boy!

He chortled in his joy.

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Summary

On a normal afternoon, where the animals are about, a father tells his son about the fearsome Jabberwocky. It lives in the woods and is horrible. The son decides to go looking for this creature. Armed with his sword, he defeats the Jabberwocky and returns home with its head. The victory is celebrated and everything returns back to normal.

Glossary Click on this link. The glossary will help you to understand the poem.

Glossary for "Jabberwocky" by Lewis Carroll from The Annotated Alice