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My Watch

by Liana Mahoney

I watch you, watch,
My tick-tock watch,
Just to pass the time.

I hear you, watch,
My click-clock watch,

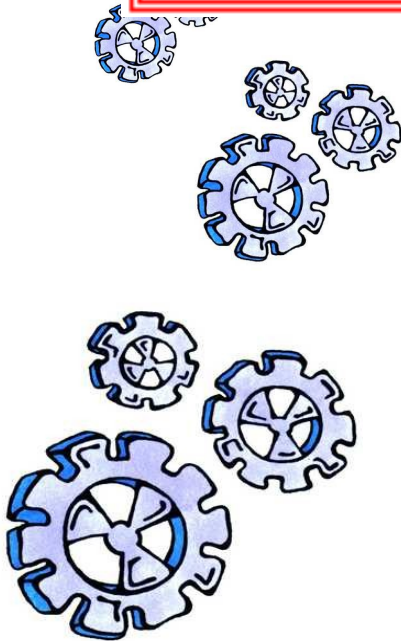


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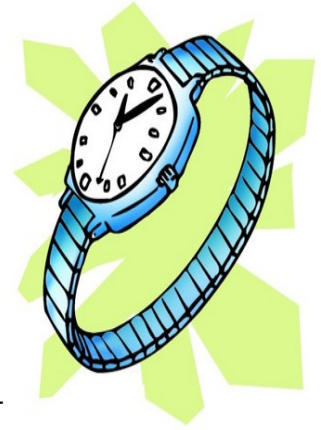
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To just keep time,
That click, tick time,
Forever, ever more?
I'm thinking, watch,
My click-clock watch -
I guess you must feel glee

When you rest, watch,
A stopped-clock watch,
For a dead battery.



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1. In the first stanza of the poem, the word *watch* has different meanings. What are the two meanings of the word *watch*?

2. Line 15 reads:

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3. What is the poet thinking in the last two stanzas of the poem?
- a. The watch probably enjoys taking a break when the battery dies.
 - b. The watch probably gets bored keeping track of the time.
 - c. The watch will probably stop working soon.
 - d. The watch gets confused when it stops.
4. Do you think the poet is writing about a digital watch or a watch with hands?
How can you tell?

ANSWER KEY

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1. In the first stanza of the poem, the word *watch* has different meanings. What are the two meanings of the word *watch*?

Watch can be a verb, meaning to look at something. Watch can also be a noun, meaning a small timepiece that you wear on your wrist.

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3. What

- The watch probably enjoys taking a break when the battery dies.
- The watch probably gets bored keeping track of the time.
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- The watch gets confused when it stops.

4. Do you think the poet is writing about a digital watch or a watch with hands? How can you tell?

Answers will vary. Possible answer: The poet is probably referring to a watch with hands because she can hear the tick-tock sounds of the watch.