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

I hear you, watch,
My click-clock watch,
How you tick in time.

I wonder, watch,
My tick-tock watch,
If it is a bore
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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2. Line 15 reads:
I guess you must feel glee
Define the word glee. Use a dictionary if you need help.

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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?

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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.

2. Line 15 reads:
   
   *I guess you must feel glee*

   Define the word *glee*. Use a dictionary if you need help.

   *The word glee means happiness or joy.*

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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.*