

# Make Your Own Rebus



## What is a rebus?

A rebus is a puzzle that uses pictures and individual letters to convey a message. They were popular in the 18th-century and were sometimes used to teach children important lessons. This example is a bible that was written with rebus in the 1700s.



## Beginner Example:

Hey diddle diddle,

the  and the ,

the  jumped over the ,

the little  laughed to see such a sport,

and the  ran away with the .

### How to make your own beginner's rebus?

1. Decide on a short phrase you'd like to use.
2. Pick out a couple words in the phrase that you can draw.
3. Practice your drawing.
4. Write out the sentence using the pictures you've chosen on a separate piece of paper.

### Advanced Example:



W+hare

ha+ve

you

bee+n?

### How to make your own advanced rebus?

1. Decide on a short phrase that you'd like to use.
2. Brainstorm different drawings you could use based on your chosen phrase.
3. Once you've chosen the images you are going to use, write out your rebus on a separate sheet of paper.