

Let's Play ISPY

Do you like a good riddle? In addition to being fun, riddles can help us to use our brains in new ways as we try to figure them out. One kind of riddle uses a rhyming couplet to give you clues. A rhyming couplet is two sentences that rhyme at the end. Try to solve the riddles below.

- Lay out the two pages side-by-side.
- Read each couplet and think about the clues it gives.
- Look on the page of pictures and match each picture to the couplet that describes it. All the items are part of the Museum collection! Stop by to see them in person.
- Write the letter of the picture on the line by its riddle.

____ I make your breakfast nice and warm
But thru the years, I've changed my form

____ I used to be the best source for news
Or turn me up and hear the 'blues'

____ I used to be heavy as a big stone
But how I live right in your phone

____ Put my legs down in a tub
And use some soap to scrub, scrub,
scrub

____ I'm most active on a dark night
Camping types still need my light

____ Roll the dough 'til it's very thin
Come on now, give me a spin

____ I'm made of glass with a cardboard stopper
Pour from me your cereal topper

____ We hold the water for washing faces
Bathrooms? There were no such places

____ Turn my crank to make me whirr
Then you'll get the point, I'm sure

____ I have a face and busy hands
You must listen to my demands

____ Many a child has carried me
I open up at noon, you see

____ Step on up and get your stats
If I make you happy, give me some pats

____ Using me will take a grip
As into a bottle of ink I dip

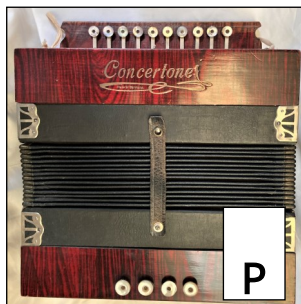
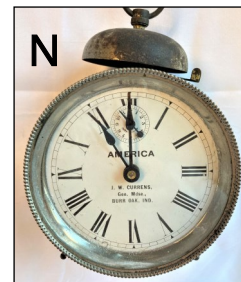
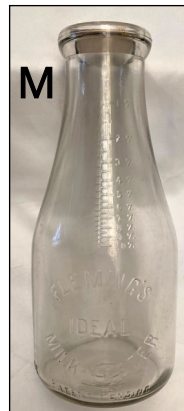
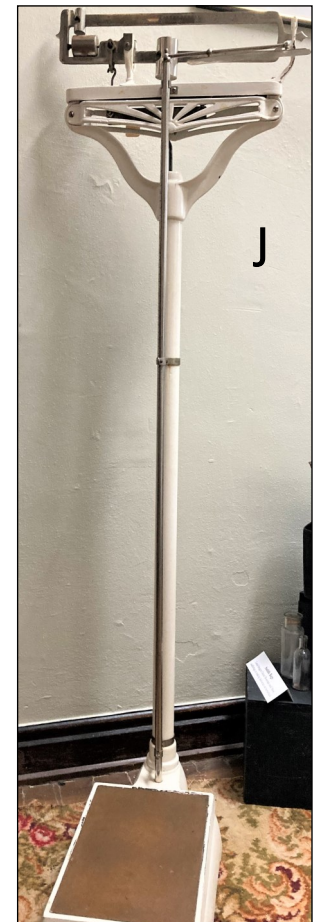
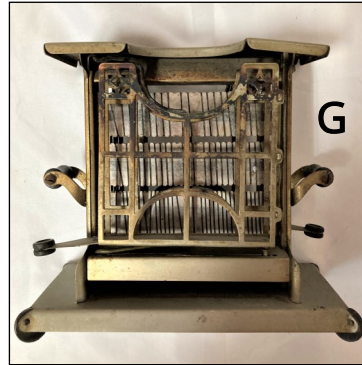
____ If you want to go, be sure to pack
And we will chug on down the track

____ It takes both hands to make me sing
But quite a happy tune I bring

____ I have a lens that you look through
Making small things big is what I do

____ Farmers used me everyday
My big job was moving hay

____ Made of bark, I skim the river
Careful now! Don't get a sliver



~ Spoilers ~

__G__ I make your breakfast nice and warm
But thru the years, I've changed my form
(Toaster)

__I__ I used to be heavy as a big stone
But how I live right in your phone
(Camera)

__E__ I'm most active on a dark night
Camping types still need my light
(Lantern)

__M__ I'm made of glass with a cardboard stopper
Pour from me your cereal topper
(Milk bottle)

__O__ Turn my crank to make me whirr
Then you'll get the point, I'm sure
(Pencil sharpener)

__K__ Many a child has carried me
I open up at noon, you see
(Lunch pail)

__Q__ Using me will take a grip
As into a bottle of ink I dip
(Dip pen)

__P__ It takes both hands to make me sing
But quite a happy tune I bring
(Accordion)

__A__ Farmers used me everyday
My big job was moving hay
(Pitch fork)

__L__ I used to be the best source for news
Or turn me up and hear the 'blues'
(Radio)

__B__ Put my legs down in a tub
And use some soap to scrub, scrub, scrub
(Washboard)

__F__ Roll the dough 'til it's very thin
Come on now, give me a spin
(Rolling pin)

__C__ We hold the water for washing faces
Bathrooms? There were no such places
(Pitcher and basin)

__N__ I have a face and busy hands
You must listen to my demands
(Alarm clock)

__J__ Step on up and get your stats
If I make you happy, give me some pats
(Weight and height scale)

__R__ If you want to go, be sure to pack
And we will chug on down the track
(Train)

__D__ I have a lens that you look through
Making small things big is what I do
(Microscope)

__H__ Made of bark, I skim the river
Careful now! Don't get a sliver
(Canoe)