

## Girl with a Turtle

There once was a girl  
With brown hair and a curl  
She liked to spin  
And dance and twirl.

She wanted a pet  
That didn't have fur  
So she went to the store  
And the worker helped her.

She left with a turtle  
That she bought for a dollar  
And wrote the name Buster  
Right on his collar.



## I Heard a Bird Sing

I heard a bird sing  
In the dark of December  
A magical thing  
And sweet to remember.

“We are nearer to Spring  
Than we were in September,”  
I heard a bird sing  
In the dark of December.



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/er/ sound spellings

Write the words in both poems that have the /er/ sound spellings below.  
You can write the repeated words once.

<b>Her</b>	
<b>first</b>	
<b>nurse</b>	
<b>works</b>	
<b>early</b>	
for a <b>dollar.</b>	