

Tongue Twisters

Tongue twisters are sentences or a series of words that are difficult to say (especially if you try to say them quickly!). They can be used as a fun way to practice pronunciation when you're learning a new language.

This is a tongue twister in Amharic, one of the most widely spoken languages in Ethiopia:

Be bug bate, bug geba.

It means 'in the sheep house, the sheep go in.' You can watch this [video](#) to hear how to pronounce it. Now you try! How many times can you say 'Be bug bate, bug geba'?

We have tongue twisters in Irish too! Try and see how many times you can say these ones:

IRISH: Seacht sícín ina seasamh sa sneachta lá seaca (Seven chickens standing in the snow on a frosty day).



IRISH: Cheannaigh cailín cliste ceanúil ciste (a clever, affectionate girl bought a cake).



Make a video/recording of you trying to pronounce these tongue twisters, or come up with your own one in Irish or another language! Send them to us on social or via email, for the chance to feature in our Global Goal Getters online children's magazine. You can send your email to:

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