

# fèis time

## ACTIVITY SHEET

### Is a dove a doo Da? Written by Jim Douglas

#### Lyrics

**Chorus (after each verse):**

*Is a dove a doo Da, is a doo a dove?*

*Is a cow a coo Da, a sparrow just a speug?*

*And is a wall a wa Da, is a dog a dug?*

*She's goin tae box ma ears Da, instead o skelp ma lug*

V1. Noo, oor teacher's awfa posh Da, she changes aw oor names,  
Oor Shuggie is now Hugh Da, and Jimmy's ayways James  
I'm puzzled wi it aa Da, the way she shoogles words  
And I must be glaiket no tae ken that feathered friends are burds

V2. You've taught me aw wrong Da, you call a ball a ba  
Yer wife is noo ma mother Da, you said she wus ma maw  
It fairly maks me scunnered Da, I'll never pass ma test  
And I'm no sure what I'm wearin noo, a semmit or a vest

V3. Ah gave ma nose a dicht, Da when it began tae dreep  
She gave me sich a fricht, Da, ah near fell aff ma seat  
"Haven't you a handkerchief?" she roared as if in pain  
"No, Ah jist use ma sleeve, Miss" and wiped ma nose again

V4. Ah ca'd a mouse a moose Da, Ah shid hiv held ma tongue  
That's manure on yer bits Da, nae langer is it dung  
It's turnips and potatoes, no tatties noo and neeps  
She said Ah'd ripped ma trousers when Ah'd only torn ma breeks

V5. Now there's twa words for everythin aw shoogled in ma heid  
How can I be well bred Da, when ah keep sayin breid?  
Now is a crow a craw Da, is a bull a bul?  
Ah'm goin' tae try ma hardest Da, Ah wull, Ah wull, Ah wull

## Activity 1

Write down as many Scots words as you can think of and add them to the glossary at the bottom of this page.



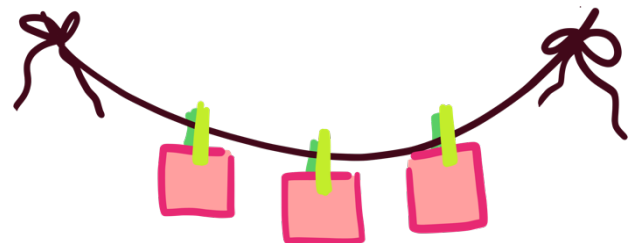
## Activity 2

Can you write another verse of the song using the Scots words you know?



## Activity 3

Draw and cut out some pictures of doves. In the middle of each one, write down something you do well. Hang them up using a piece of string and some clothes pegs.



## Activity 4 - Glossary

Aff - Off

Awfa – Awful

Ba - Ball

Breeks – Trousers

Coo – Cow

Da – Dad

Dicht – Wipe

Doo – Dove

Dreep - Drip

Dug - Dog

Glaiket - Foolish

Heid – Head

Hive – Have

Jist – Just

Ken - Know

Lug – Ear

Ma – My or Mother

Moose - Mouse

Scunnered – Disgusted

Skelp – Slap

Speug – Sparrow

Wa - Wall

Wi – With

Yer - Your

