

Inspired by [Take Me Out of the Bathtub](#) and an online [poetry lesson](#) at WritingFix, these seventh graders wrote the following song parodies about school topics. What school topic could you write about using the rhythm of a famous song that everyone knows?

The Importance of Breakfast

by Riley, 7th grade writer
(sung to the tune of *Itsy Bitsy Spider*)



When you wake up,
What do you do?
Put on clean clothes,
And fix your hair-do,
Brush up your teeth,
And scramble down the stairs,
Then into the kitchen to meet the food you'll eat.

Open the fridge to see all of your choices.
Must be quiet,
Your parents don't wanna hear voices.
Grab the waffles and put them in the toaster,
And when you're finished eating
It's gonna mean the most-er.

When you get to school,
What do you do?
Sit in your desk and grab a #2.
Here comes the test and get ready for what's next.
Because you ate your breakfast,
You're gonna earn the best!

School Lunch Anthem

by Lauren and Claire, 7th grade writers
(sung to the tune of *The Star Spangled Banner*)

Time to go to lunch,
Gonna eat a bunch:
Chicken broccoli and
cheese
Cookies, cakes, and
pastries.
Going through the lunch
line,
Holding my lunch tray
As I walked with my lunch,
I heard many people screaming.

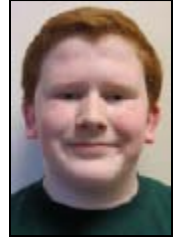


Food is flying everywhere
It is stuck in my hair
To be honest with you.
It was such a big nightmare.

Oh, please get me out of this lunch room fast
Or before you know it,
My arm will be wrapped in a cast.

Homework Blues

by Conrad, 7th grade writer
(sung to the tune of *Jingle Bells*)



Oh, homework blues, homework blues,
It's gonna take all night.
Lots of math and lots of lit,
This really isn't right.

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I just missed my bus,
And I'm really kinda bummed,
'Cause now I have to walk,
And my backpack weighs a ton.

The sidewalk's super slick,
My back is killing me,
I would have been home quickly,
But instead it's after three

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Tonight I've got Boy Scouts,
I'm home at 8:30,
And there upon my desk
Is my homework facing me.

I've got health and science
A test in geography,
Plus I've got a chapter due
For my autobiography.

Oh, homework blues, homework blues,
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