

Spot the Difference

How to Tell a Banana from a Bicycle

You can't keep a bicycle in a fruit bowl.
 Bananas don't have wheels and a saddle.
 You don't have to learn to ride a banana.
 A bicycle isn't a fruit.
 A bicycle won't turn black if you leave it in a fridge for a week.
 Bicycle and banana begin with the same letter and go on with different ones.
 No-one has ever won the Tour de France on a banana.
 You can't add a bicycle to a curry.
 You can't fall off a banana.
 You cannot slip on a bicycle skin.

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This idea comes from a poem by John Hegley, called 'The Differences between Dogs and Deckchairs'.

Now it's your turn. Be sure you read all the details below before you start writing.

- * Choose your two items for spotting differences.
- * Make the objects as unlike and different from one another as you can. So maybe not a pen and a pencil, but a pen and a double decker bus or a pencil and a tent might work well.
- * Write quickly. Don't plan the order of your ideas; just write whatever differences come to you. The more obvious the differences, the more humorous your poem becomes.
- * You don't have to keep all your ideas in your final collection, just the ones you feel work well. However, if you feel they all work well, then keep them – and well done you!

