

# Riddles Teaching Ideas

**Write a riddle on the board when you first get to class and have students try to come up with the answer by the end of the day. You could also cut out the riddles on the activity sheets and give to the children to solve .**

**Here are a few classic riddles:**

1. What is in seasons, seconds, centuries and minutes but not in decades, years or days?
2. What always runs but never walks, often murmurs, never talks, has a bed but never sleeps, has a mouth but never eats?
3. The more you have of it, the less you see. What is it?
4. You throw away the outside and cook the inside. Then you eat the outside and throw away the inside. What did you eat?
5. All about, but cannot be seen,  
Can be captured, cannot be held,  
No throat, but can be heard.
6. Until I am measured I am not known,  
Yet how you miss me when I have flown.
7. Two in a corner,  
1 in a room,  
0 in a house,  
But 1 in a shelter.  
What am I?
8. It cannot be seen, it weighs nothing, but when put into a barrel, it makes it lighter. What is it?
9. What starts with a T, ends with a T, and has T in it?
10. What gets wetter as it dries?

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1. What is in seasons, seconds, centuries and minutes but not in decades, years or days?

**The letter 'n'**

2. What always runs but never walks, often murmurs, never talks, has a bed but never sleeps, has a mouth but never eats?

**A river**

3. The more you have of it, the less you see. What is it?

**Darkness**

4. You throw away the outside and cook the inside. Then you eat the outside and throw away the inside. What did you eat?

**An ear of corn**

5. All about, but cannot be seen, Can be captured, cannot be held, No throat, but can be heard.

**Wind**

6. Until I am measured I am not known, Yet how you miss me when I have flown.

**Time**

7. Two in a corner, 1 in a room, 0 in a house, But 1 in a shelter. What am I?

**The letter 'r'**

8. It cannot be seen, it weighs nothing, but when put into a barrel, it makes it lighter. What is it?

**A hole**

9. What starts with a T, ends with a T, and has T in it?

**A teapot**

10. What gets wetter as it dries?

**A towel**

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