

Comprehension Worksheet**POPPING CORN**

Questions:

¹One autumn night, when the wind was high,
And the rain fell in heavy plashes,
A little boy sat by the kitchen fire,
A-popping corn in the ashes;
⁵And his sister, a curly-haired child of three,
Sat looking on, just close to his knee.

1. What is the poem about?

Pop! Pop! And the kernels, one by one,
Came out of the embers flying;
The boy held a long pine stick in his hand,
¹⁰And kept it busily plying;
He stirred the corn and it snapped the more,
And faster jumped to the clean-swept floor.

2. What was the little boy doing?

Part of the kernels flew one way,
And a part hopped out the other;
¹⁵Some flew plump into the sister's lap,
Some under the stool of the brother;
The little girl gathered them into a heap,
And called them a flock of milk-white sheep.

3. How did he do it?

Anonymous



4. Who are the main characters in this poem?

6. Name the figure of speech used in the following lines:

a. "Pop! Pop!..." (lines 7) _____

b. "Part of the kernels flew one way, and a part hopped out the other..." (lines 13-24)

c. "...called them a flock of milk-white sheep" (lines 18)
