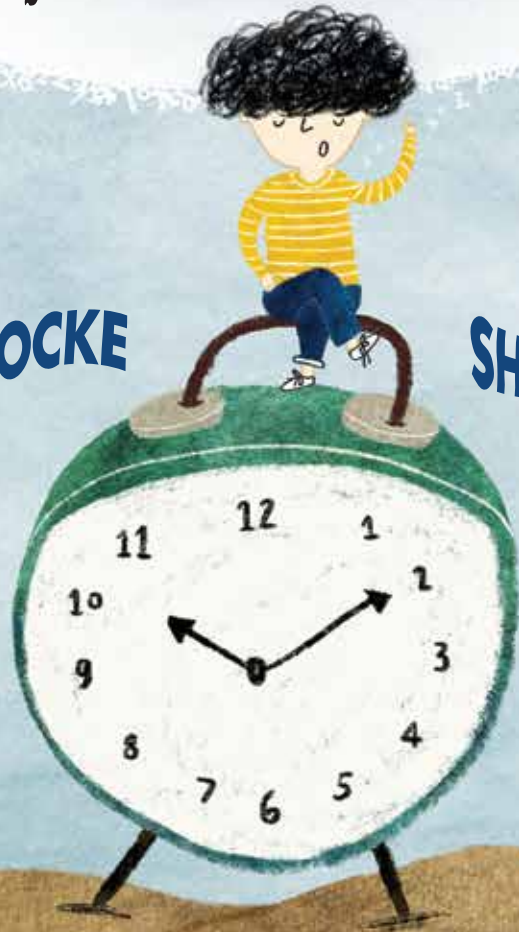


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To my thoughtful son, Jack, who has never been afraid to express himself—thankfully not all day.
—Linda Locke

To my hubby, Kenny. And to children speaking their minds everywhere.
—Shermaine Cheong

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**There was a young boy who talked all day,
He talked so much that he forgot to play!**



Sometimes he'd talk to squirrels in the trees,
Sitting with a tatty fat rat on his knees.



What Kind of nuts?
Do the birds annoy you with their singing?
Mr and Mrs Squirrel how are you? Have you been gathering nuts?
Hello!
This is an old rat. I have known him a long time. He might like your nuts. Do you have any small ones to spare?
What kind of nuts?
Do you always live in this park? Did you live in the jungle? Is it like the trees in the trees?



**There once was a
young boy who talked**

...A LOT!

He jibber-jabbered,

chitter-chattered,

yak-yakkered

and could not stop!



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