

## RIDDLES TO CHALLENGE THE MIND

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1. Why is a pig in the parlour like a house on fire?
2. When is soup likely to run out of a saucepan?
3. What travels fastest, heat or cold?
4. What animal comes from the skies?
5. Why is it dangerous to take a nap on a train?
6. Why do white sheep eat more than black ones?
7. How does a tailor make a coat last?



Strike while the iron is hot

## PROVERBS

A proverb is a simple, popular saying that expresses a truth based on common sense or practical experience.

Some examples:

- A stitch in time saves nine.
- All is not gold that glitters.
- Honesty is the best policy.

Can you think of others?

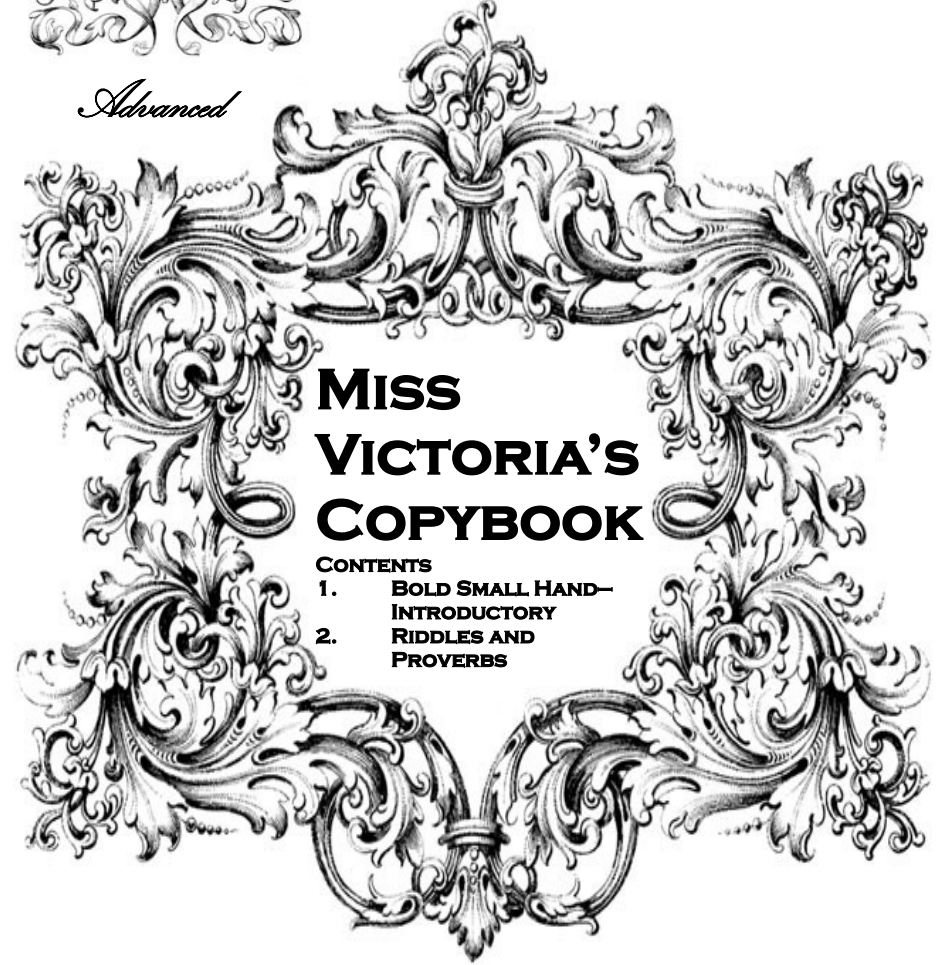
1. Because the sooner it is put out the better.
2. When there is a leak in it.
3. Heat, because you can catch a cold.
4. The rein (rain) deer.
5. Because a train always runs over sleepers.
6. Because there are more of them.
7. By making the trousers and the waistcoat first.

## ANSWERS TO RIDDLES



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