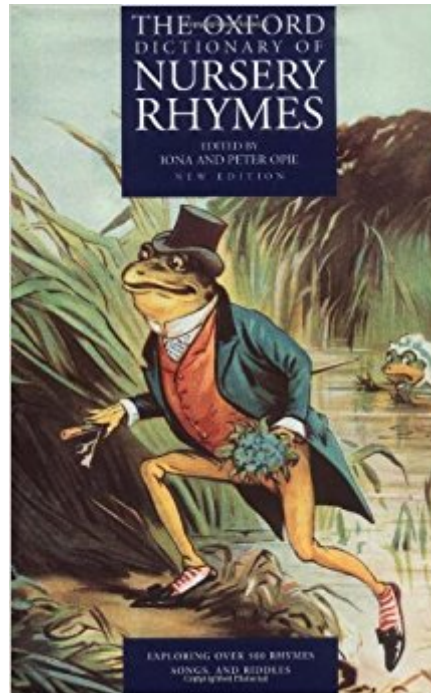




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Iona Opie is a leading authority on children's lore and literature. With her late husband, Peter Opie, she wrote the pioneering study of children's culture, *The Lore and Language of Schoolchildren*. The Opies have also edited *The Oxford Nursery Rhyme Book*, and *The Classic Fairy Tales*.

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