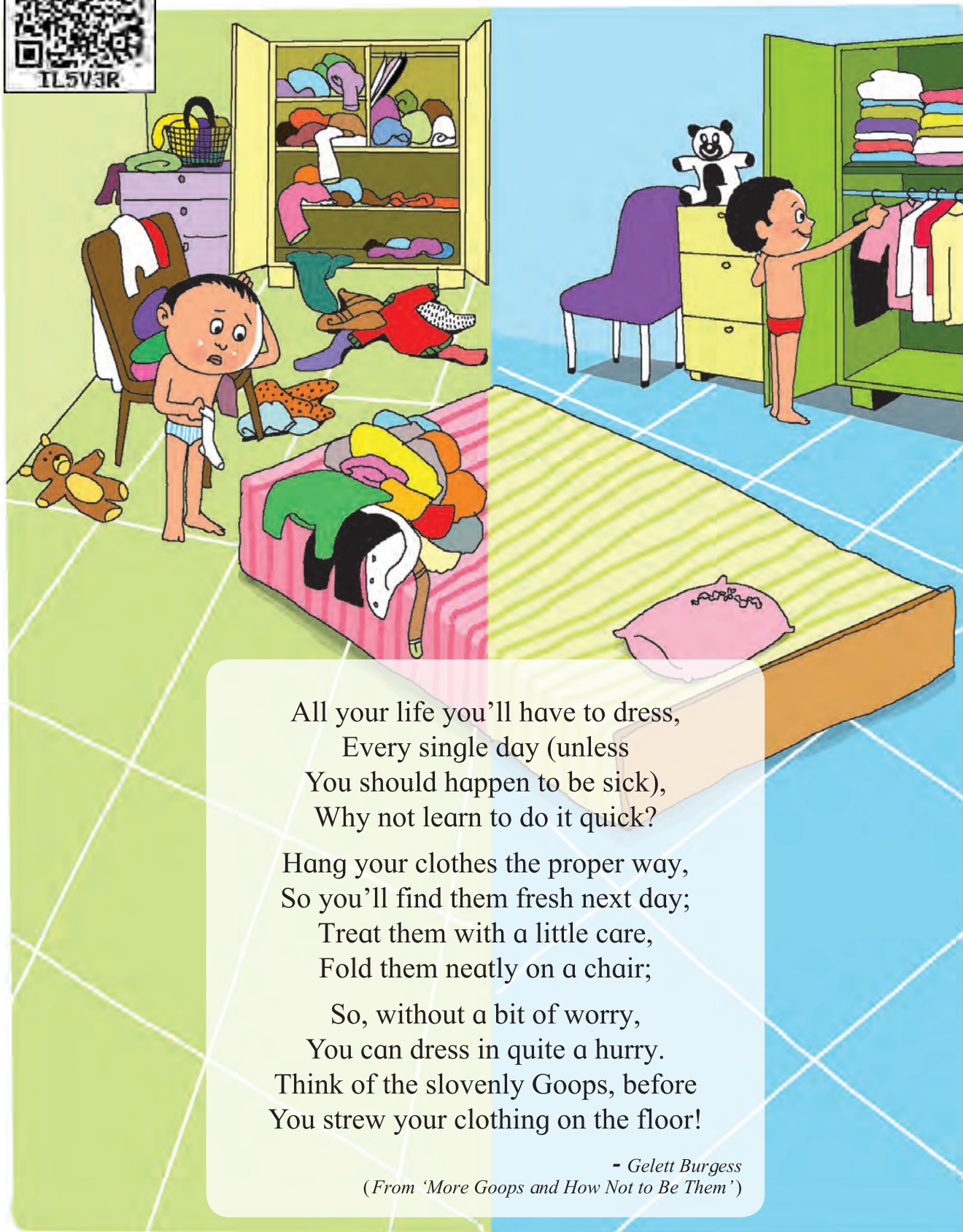


9. Dress Quickly!



All your life you'll have to dress,
Every single day (unless
You should happen to be sick),
Why not learn to do it quick?
Hang your clothes the proper way,
So you'll find them fresh next day;
Treat them with a little care,
Fold them neatly on a chair;
So, without a bit of worry,
You can dress in quite a hurry.
Think of the slovenly Goops, before
You strew your clothing on the floor!

- Gelett Burgess
(From 'More Goops and How Not to Be Them')

- **slovenly** : untidy, careless in dress and manners.
- **Goops** : a rude, careless person with no manners.
- **strew** : scatter, spread here and there.
- **clothing** : clothes.

Things to do :

- List at least 5 things (apart from dressing) that we have to do all our life. For example, comb one's hair or take a bath/shower. In the list, tick off the things that you are able to do properly and quickly. Talk to your parents/guardians and friends about how to do all these things well.
- In the following charts, write at least two examples of each.

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| (a) | Things I do without fail – | Things I forget to do – |
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| (b) | Things I like to do – | Things I don't feel like doing – |
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| (c) | Things I can do well – | Things I can't do well – |
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- Read the following and circle the things that the Goops would do.

- * Speak with their mouth full.
- * Cover their mouth when they sneeze.
- * Put muddy footprints on the bed.
- * Spit on the roads.
- * Flush the toilet properly.
- * Wipe dirty hands on their clothes.
- * Pick their nose.
- * Switch off fans and lights while leaving a room.
- * Push people on the stairs.
- * Wait in a queue.
- * Use other people's things without their permission.
- * Throw garbage in a dustbin.

- Write the pairs of rhyming words you see at the end of the poem. For example, sick - quick.



- Make new words by adding '-ly' to the following words. Then use the new words in your own sentences.

* slow * nice * proper * loud * soft * clear * neat

Example : neat - neatly. Write neatly.

