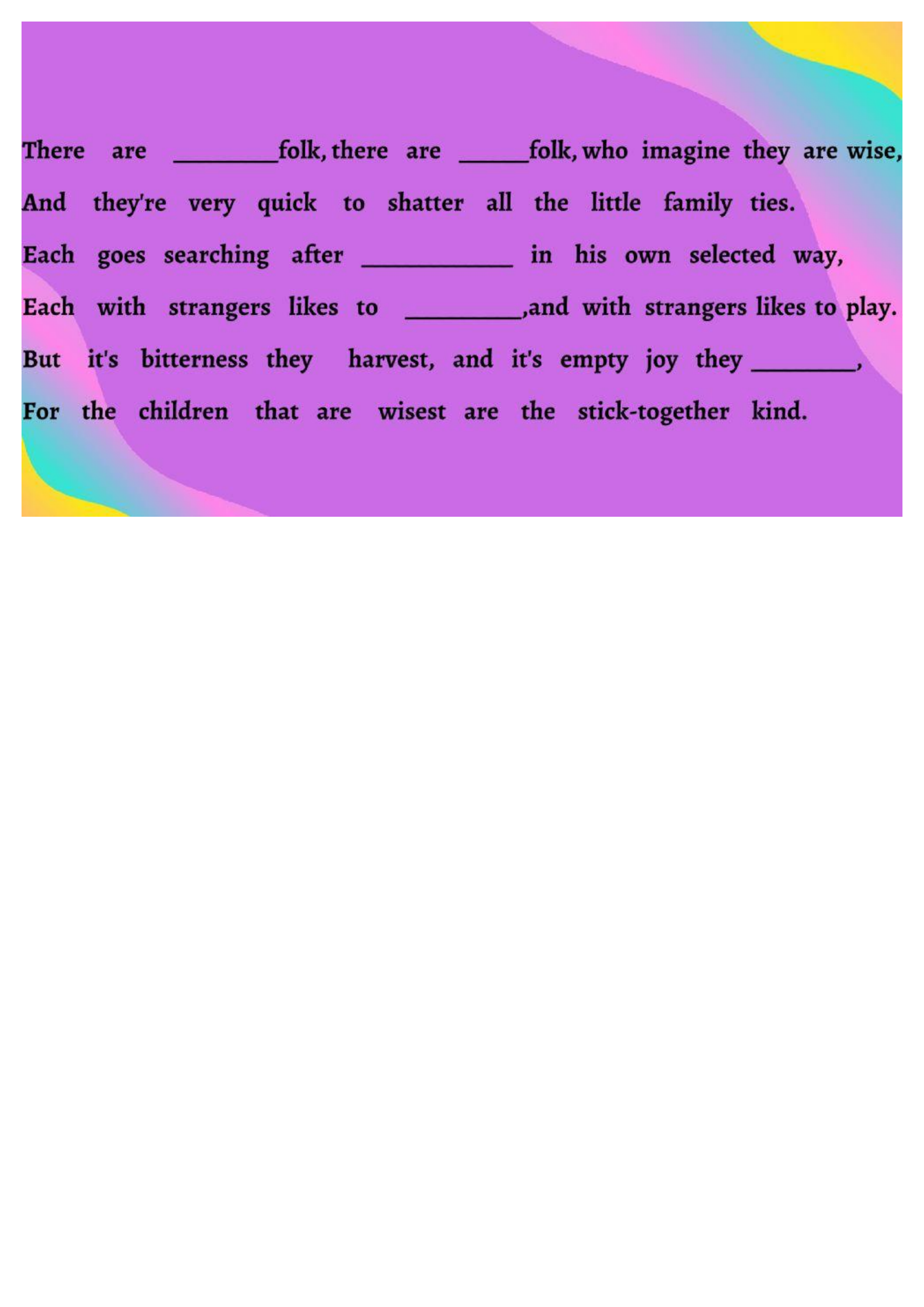


LISTEN THE POEM AND FILL IN THE BLANKS...

THE STICK-TOGETHER FAMILIES

The stick-together _____ are happier by far
Than the brothers and the sisters who take separate _____ are.
The _____ people living are the wholesome folks who make
A circle at the fireside that no _____ but death can break.
And the finest of conventions ever held beneath the _____
Are the little family gatherings when the busy day is done.



There are _____folk, there are _____folk, who imagine they are wise,
And they're very quick to shatter all the little family ties.
Each goes searching after _____ in his own selected way,
Each with strangers likes to _____, and with strangers likes to play.
But it's bitterness they harvest, and it's empty joy they _____,
For the children that are wisest are the stick-together kind.

There are some who seem to fancy that for gladness they must _____,
That for _____ that are the brightest they must wander far from home.
That the strange friend is the true friend, and they travel far astray
They _____ their lives in striving for a joy that's far away,
But the gladdest sort of _____, when the busy day is done,
Are the brothers and the sisters who together _____ their fun.

It's the stick-together family that wins the joys of _____,
That _____ the sweetest music and that finds the finest mirth;
It's the old home _____ that shelters all the charm that life can give;
There you find the gladdest play-ground, there the happiest _____ to live.
And, O weary, wandering brother, if contentment you would win,
Come you back unto the fireside and be comrade with your _____.