

Chapter 2

'And then again,' Grandpa Joe went on speaking very _____ now so that Charlie wouldn't miss a word, 'Mr Willy Wonka can make marshmallows that taste of violets, and rich caramels that change colour every ten seconds as you suck them, and little _____ sweets that melt away _____ the moment you put them between your lips. He can make chewing-gum that never loses its taste, and sugar balloons that you can blow up to _____ sizes before you pop them with a pin and gobble them up. And, by a most secret method, he can make _____ blue birds' eggs with black spots on them, and when you put one of these in your mouth, it _____ gets smaller and smaller until _____ there is nothing left except a tiny little pink sugary baby bird sitting on the tip of your tongue.'

Grandpa Joe paused and ran the point of his tongue _____ over his lips. 'It makes my mouth water just thinking about it,' he said.

'Mine, too,' said little Charlie. 'But please go on.'

While they were talking, Mr and Mrs Bucket, Charlie's mother and father, had come _____ into the room, and now both were standing just inside the door, listening.