

Balloon Boy

There was a boy called Livai
Who chewed a blue balloon.
His teacher said, "That's not allowed
Here in our classroom!"

"If you swallow a balloon
It could start to grow,
And if you suck in lots of air
You might blow up and explode!"



But Livai simply laughed out loud
Until the wind began to blow,
As he lifted off the ground
He shouted to those below.

"Look at me I'm flying,
And floating in the air"
Bigger, **BIGGER** and **BIGGER** he got
But Livai didn't care.

"Get out of my way you silly bird,
Go and find your Mummy."
The mother bird was quite annoyed
And poked Livai in the tummy!

'POP,' went Livai in the sky
As the balloon inside him burst,
Down, down, down he dropped
Into the sea headfirst.

He gave the fish an awful fright
As he landed with a plop.
Now when he sees someone chewing balloons,

Livai shouts out



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This is for a special young man I met on Dravuni Island Fiji recently. He was constantly chewing on a blue balloon, and I told him I'd write a poem about him.