

The Sluggard

1. Noun
2. Verb - Past Tense
3. Verb - Base Form
4. Proper Noun
5. Part Of Body
6. Adjective
7. Part Of Body
8. Verb - Base Form

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'Tis the voice of the Noun ; I heard him complain,

"You have Verb - Past Tense me too soon, I must Verb - Base Form again."

As the door on its hinges, so he on his Proper Noun ,

Turns his sides and his Part of Body and his Adjective Part of Body .

"A little more sleep, and a little more Verb - Base Form ;"

Thus he wastes half his days, and his hours without ,

And when he gets up, he sits folding his hands,

Or walks about sauntering, or trifling he stands.

I pass'd by his garden, and saw the wild brier,

The thorn and the thistle grow broader and higher;

The clothes that hang on him are turning to rags;

And his money still wastes till he starves or he begs.

I made him a visit, still hoping to find

That he took better care for improving his mind:

He told me his dreams, talked of eating and drinking;

But

scarce reads his Bible, and never loves thinking.

Said I then to my heart, "Here's a lesson for me,"

This man's but a picture of what I might be:

But thanks to my friends for their care in my breeding,

Who taught me betimes to love working and reading.