



## WEEK #9 PUZZLE: LITERARY RIDDLES

### Oedipus Rex by Sophocles

- 1** "What goes on four legs in the morning, on two legs at noon, and on three legs in the evening?"

### The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien

- 2** "This thing all things devours;  
Birds, beasts, trees, flowers;  
Gnaws iron, bites steel;  
Grinds hard stones to meal;  
Slays king, ruins town,  
And beats mountain down."

### The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien

- 3** "Voiceless it cries,  
Wingless flutters,  
Toothless bites,  
Mouthless mutters."

### Wizard and Glass by Stephen King

- 4** "If you break me, I'll not stop working.  
If you can touch me, my work is done.  
If you lose me, you must find me with  
a ring soon after. What am I?"

### Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire by JK Rowling

- 5** "First think of the person who lives in disguise,/ Who deals in secrets and tells naught but lies./ Next, tell me what's always the last thing to mend,/ The middle of middle and end of the end?/ And finally give me the sound often heard/ During the search for a hard-to-find word./ Now string them together, and answer me this,/ Which creature would you be unwilling to kiss?"

### Bonus

- 6** Q: David's father has three sons: Snap, Crackle, and \_\_\_\_?
- 7** Q: What gets broken without being held?



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### ANSWERS:

- 1) A PERSON
- 2) TIME
- 3) WIND
- 4) A HEART
- 5) A SPIDER
- 6) DAVID
- 7) A PROMISE