

**During-Viewing****Activity Sheet 8**

# Riddle Writing

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



A fun game for Pilgrim children was to tell jokes and riddles. The topics of these riddles were everyday, common things. Write a few riddles of your own with a partner. Then trade with others and see if you can solve each other's riddles. They can be about Pilgrim times or about life today. Follow these steps.



- Choose a common topic (person, place, thing)  
Brainstorm qualities about this topic. (look, feel, sound, action, may even attribute human qualities)
- Write sentences (or questions) about your riddle--be specific, but not too obvious.



## Sample Riddle:



Once I was small and round.  
I wore a cap.  
Now I am tall and stand with my arms outstretched.  
I offer home to others—big and small.  
My clothes are sometimes green, and sometimes  
shades of red, orange, or yellow.  
What am I?



(answer: an oak tree)