

Do Not Drop Your Jellybeans

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Please, do not drop your jellybeans.

If you drop your jellybeans,
The baby will wake up and cry like a fire alarm.

If the baby cries like a fire alarm,
The firefighters will come to the house.

They will turn on their big whooshing hoses.

You could get washed away in the flood.

You might end up in the river

If you end up in the river,
You could drift out to the wild salt sea.

You could be attacked by sharks and giant squid.

A pirate ship might chase you.

You and the ship might be caught in a huge storm.

Oh, the lightning!
Oh, the thunder!
Oh, the waves!

The pirate ship could be wrecked on some rocks
but you could be saved by a humpback whale.

The whale could take you all the way to the Arctic Ocean.

Then, before you could say a word,
The whale might leave you on an iceberg.

You are not dressed for icebergs.

So please, please, please, do not drop your jellybeans.

Uh-oh! You did it!
You dropped your jellybeans!