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Here are the Toddles Twins
named Jill and Jack
(You see Jack's dressed in
white and Jill in black).
Now, Jack gave Jill, when
their fifth birthday came,
A pair of skates, and Jill,
Jack gave the same.
Both were *much* pleased, and
thought it so nice
To spend the morning
skating on ice.





They crossed the snowy
fields, and just beyond
They found a splendid
frozen-over pond.
So on the bank they fastened
to their feet
Their shining skates with
leather straps complete.
The ice was white and hard,
without a crack.
"Come on, Jill! Ooh—it's
slippery!" cried Jack.



It was! And though they
held each other's hand,
They found it even difficult
to stand,
And when they struggled
forward, yard by yard,
Their feet flew up, and oh!
they sat down hard.
Alas! they never noticed
that they'd gone
Too near a post with
"DANGER" written on.





And down they sat so hard,
with *such* a bang,
The sound along the ice
like thunder rang.
The ice just there was
dangerously thin:
It broke, and Jill and Jack
both tumbled in.
Upon the broken edge they
tried to hold,
But found the water very
wet and cold.



"Oh, help us—save us!"
shouted Jill and Jack.
The only answer was an-
other crack.
But look! Thank goodness!
just before they sank
A boy named Sam came
running to the bank.
The sight of him filled both
their hearts with hope.
Said Sam, "I'll save you!"
—and he threw a rope.





The rope came skimming
and they both caught hold,
Although their fingers were
extremely cold.

Sam pulled them out—he
was so kind and good;
They both made little pud-
dles where they stood.

He took their skates off, and
remarked, "Don't cry—
I'll take you home with me;
I live close by."



Sam's mother wrapped them
up in blankets hot;
Two bowls of mutton broth
she quickly got.
She sat them by the fire,
all nice and warm,
So that the ducking did the
twins no harm.
But when their clothes were
dry Jill said to Jack,
"Our birthday party! We
must hurry back!"



They'd asked two little
visitors to tea,
And so they *must* be home
at half-past three.
They skurried to get dressed
with might and main,
And scrambled in their
warm, dry clothes again.
But, thinking of the birth-
day and the cake,
They put each other's things
on, by mistake!



They thanked Sam's mother
who had been so kind
(Of course they didn't leave
their skates behind),
And ran, as fast as ever
they could go,
Across the meadow, white
with fallen snow.
Their little friends had only
reached the gate,
So, after all, the twins
weren't really late.





But, as Jill wore her brother's
clothes and cap,
And he wore her's, there
came a sad mishap.
The presents which their
little friends had brought
Did not go to the right twin
as they ought.
They gave the doll to Jack,
who stood stock still,
And saw a lovely football
given to Jill.

They dropped their birth-
day gifts, and full of woe,
Their miserable tears be-
gan to flow,
Till Nurse ran up and gave
them each a kiss,
Then looked at them again,
and cried, "What's this—
Do you see what the silly
twins have done?
They've dressed up in each
other's clothes for fun."





But when they smiled, and
made their story plain,
Nurse changed their clothes
and presents back again.
Jack had his football, Jill
her pretty dolly,
And then, of course, the
party was quite jolly.
And though folks said they
were as like as pins,
They had a lovely time—
the Toddles Twins.





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