Worksheet 1

Robert Burns & Scots

1. Robert Burns lived in the 1700s and is one of Scotland's most famous poets. One of the reasons he is so famous is because he wrote in Scots—the language most commonly in use when Burns was alive.

How many Scots words do you know? Can you match the Scots words on the left with English words on the right which have the same meaning? If you get stuck try saying the words out loud to hear what they sound like.

Crowlan	Gíft
Sairly	Wonder
Strunt	Bold
Owre	Many
Síc	Crawling
Wonner	Bum (!)
Sprattle	Go
Haud	Over
Bauld	Old
Oníe	Swagger
Droddum	Such
Auld	Seriously
Abread	Hold
Gíftíe	Scramble
Gae	Any
Moníe	Abroad