



### Mind the Gap

'No, no, **no**, I've told you once, I won't tell you again.  
You're really getting on my nerves, you're being such a pain.'

'But Mum, it looks so beautiful, it's pink and white, so pretty.'  
'It's really not good for your teeth, it's sugary and sticky.'

My advice to you is to admire it from afar,  
and by the way, that junk you crave is known as pink nougat.'

As Mum paid for her daily paper with her debit card,  
the young girl picked the pink pack up and sank her teeth in hard.

She winced and quickly put the bar back on the sweetie shelf.  
Her mum, she didn't notice, she was too busy herself.

And when the child came running out of school at half-past three,  
she ran to greet her mummy with her voice so full of glee.

'Look Mum, I have lost a tooth, the fairy might just come.'  
'Only if you've kept it safe.' The girl's face turned quite glum.

A few days later, TV news said, 'Barratt's Sweets has closed.'  
A very serious health and safety issue had arose. 😬

It transpired that a human tooth had been found in a bar  
that a well-known politician purchased in their local Spar.

That poor young man had choked on it, and he could not be saved.  
A very strange, sweet ending, that took him to his grave.

And so, the local corner store, (which had a huge footfall)  
Turned out not to be so convenient after all.