

## **Ding dong! Do your PhD.**

1.

Ding dong! Do your PhD. But panto time is calling.  
Ding dong! It is clear to see; your viva needs moth-balling.

Vi — va; your viva needs moth-balling.

2.

E'en so, where do you go, for scientific solace?  
When no-one seems to know, to find your PIs office.

Whe — re is this wretched office?

3.

Pray you, where is the Lyle, or ag or E-S-S-C?  
Lost twixt campus bridge and tree, how can you get your PhD?

Vi — va. Viva's getting nearer.

4.

May you beautifully rime, your graupel or hail pellet,  
hygroscopic nuclei, be Mossop to my Hallett!

I — ce. Thesis still on ice!

5.

And when the viva now is on, you'd better do some reading.  
Hoskins, McIntyre, and Robertson; elusive still its meaning.

Pee — vee. Can it be inverted?

6.

Did we milk that one enough? New panto jokes are needed.  
But that really is quite tough. It can't be superseded.

Pee — vee. It can't be superseded!

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