Putting the boot in
‘Pick it up, Fizzy Feet.’
Fizzy Feet
Picked it up.
‘Give it here,
Fizzy Feet,
Fizzy Feet
Gave it up.
The bully despised Davey
For a coward and a meekling.
He gave Dave so much grief and hurt.
He thought Dave was a weakling.
So whenever it would suit him
He would gladly put the boot in.

Standing Proud
Davey never shouted, never bolted,
He stood his ground, he watched and he waited,
He did not seem to realize the effect
Just standing there, not uttering a word
Had on the class bully, the school bully.
A faint, sad smile would play across his lips
As he stood before the one who hurt him.
A smile that just had to be wiped away,
Washed away, knocked away, smashed far away,
But Davey just stood proud and never spoke.

Questions
What does the bully think of Davey? (give quotations as evidence)
Why do you think that the bully despises Davey so much?
What do you think ‘put the boot in’ means?
How does Davey react to this bullying?
How does Davey’s reaction make the bully feel?
I’d like you to write a diary entry from the perspective of Davey.

The Truth Hurts
I want to tell you the truth
Time to tell you the truth
Cards on the table
Get if off my chest
Open my mind and
Reveal all!

Finally, what truth do you think the narrator is about to reveal? (you’ll find out next session)