

**My Family's Fond of Gadgets** – from the book *My Dog Likes to Disco*

My family's fond of gadgets  
and new technology.

My mother likes her radio.

My father likes TV.

My sister likes to dance around  
the house with headphones on.

My brother plays on his PC  
until the break of dawn.

The baby has a smartphone  
and a touchscreen-tablet too.  
If we had pets, I'm sure  
that even they would have a few.

We chat with instant messaging.  
We email and we text.  
We're always looking forward  
to the gadget we'll get next.

The power went out recently.  
That day was like no other.  
Our screens went blank and, strange but true,  
we talked to one another.

— Kenn Nesbitt

