Limericks

Who was Edward Lear? Look him up in an encyclopedia or on Google. Read about Edward Lear and his poetry.

Limericks have rhythm and rhyme and usually are very funny with nonsensical/silly subject matter. Limericks have a distinct rhyming pattern. Can you work out what it is?

**Country: Australia**

**Title: Koala antics**

There once was a koala named Syd,  
Who was caught smoking leaves as a kid,  
His mother she spanked him,  
The leaves nearly choked him,  
And his ears caught fire in the bid.

**Title: Ernie Dingo**

There once was a dingo named Ernie,  
Who had an incredible journey,  
He jumped on a ute,  
And thought it was beaut,  
When the wind blew his tail soft and curly.

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**Explanatory note**: Ernie Dingo is also the stage name for a famous Australian Aboriginal actor.

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