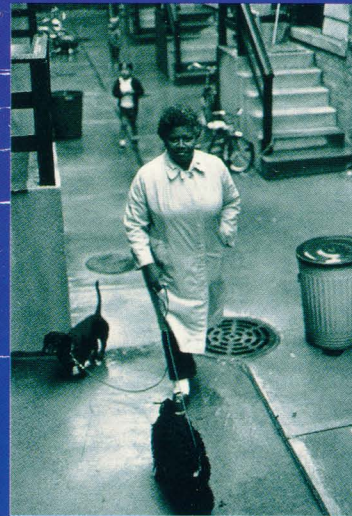


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## MY STREET BEGINS AT MY HOUSE

My street begins at my house  
My street begins at my house  
My street begins at my house  
*It's a very special street*

On my street things go up and down  
On my street things go round and round  
On my street things go upside down  
*It's a very special street*

Some streets go one way  
Some streets go two ways  
Some streets lead to the high way  
And some streets go every where . . . but

My street begins at my house  
My street begins at my house  
My street begins at my house  
*It's a very special street*

Words and music by Ella Jenkins,  
c.1971, Ella L. Jenkins, ASCAP

## LET'S BUILD A STREET

Let's build a street  
Let's build a town and  
Let's invite folks  
From miles around

Put on your fancy clothes  
Let's take a walk into town  
And the people will all look at us  
As we walk up and down

Some streets go east  
Some streets go west  
Some go north and south  
But I like my street the best

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## ONCE THERE WAS A KING

O once there was a king  
Who had ten thousand men  
He marched all up the hill  
Then marched them down again

Now when you're up you're up  
And when you're down you're down  
But when you're only half way up  
You're neither up nor down

Traditional, arranged by Ella Jenkins,  
ASCAP

## IT'S RAINING DOGS AND CATS

It's raining . . . it's raining  
It's raining dogs and cats  
It's raining . . . it's raining  
It's raining and that's a fact

It's raining little poodle dogs  
It's raining dogs and cats  
It's raining little poodle dogs  
It's raining dogs and cats

It's raining long dachshunds  
It's raining dogs and cats  
It's raining long dachshunds  
It's raining dogs and cats

It's raining Siamese cats  
It's raining dogs and cats  
It's raining Siamese cats  
It's raining dogs and cats

It's raining German Shepherd dogs  
It's raining dogs and cats  
It's raining German Shepherd dogs  
It's raining dogs and cats

It's raining little Schnauzer dogs  
It's raining dogs and cats  
It's raining little Schnauzer dogs  
It's raining dogs and cats

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## RAIN RAIN GO AWAY

Rain, rain go away  
Come again some other day  
I want to go out and play today

Rain, rain stay away  
I want some sun today  
I want to go out and play today

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c.1971, Ella L. Jenkins, ASCAP

## LOOBY LOO, LOOBY LA

Traditional

## LITTLE SALLY WALKER

Traditional

## WHAT FLIES?

Fly like a bird  
Fly fly away  
Fly like a bird  
Fly fly away

Fly like a butterfly  
Fly fly away  
Fly like a butterfly  
Fly fly away

Fly like a rocketship  
Fly fly away  
Fly like a rocketship  
Fly fly away

Fly like a bee  
Fly fly away  
Fly like a bee  
Fly fly away

Fly like an eagle  
Fly fly away  
Fly like an eagle  
Fly fly away

Fly like a kite  
Fly fly away  
Fly like a kite  
Fly fly away

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## IF I WERE AN ANIMAL

If I were an animal  
You know what I'd be?  
I'd be a monkey  
And climb a tree

If I were an animal  
You know what I'd do?  
I'd jump and jump and jump  
and jump  
And be a kangaroo

If I were an animal  
You know what I'd do?  
I'd growl at all the animals  
And be king of the zoo

If I were an animal  
I'd never be small  
I'd have lots of spots all over  
me  
And grow 18 feet tall

If I were an animal  
I'd eat corn and hay  
And I'd like it very much  
To be milked twice a day

If I were an animal  
I'd eat grass at the time  
I'd let children ride upon my  
back  
And they'd be friends of mine

If I could be an animal  
I wonder what I'd be  
I wonder and I wonder  
But I think I'd just be me

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## THE WORLD OF WHICKUM WHACKUM

(A short story--a play on  
words)

Written, conceived and contrived by Ella  
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Dear Ella Jenkins,  
I liked your performance  
very much. You taught me songs  
I did not know. We are writing  
while we are listening to one  
of your records.

Sincerely,  
Tracy Richardson  
Mrs. Meurer's class

With this kind of en-  
couragement from children  
I must continue to serve  
them. Ella Jenkins

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