

The Owl and the Pussy-Cat by Edward Lear

The Owl and the Pussy-Cat

went to sea

In a beautiful pea-green boat;

They took some honey,

and plenty of money,

Wrapped up in a five-pound note.

The Owl looked up to the stars above,

And sang to a small guitar,

'O lovely Pussy!

O Pussy, my love,

What a beautiful Pussy you are!

Pussy said to the Owl,
'You elegant fowl!
How charmingly sweet you sing!
O let us be married!
Too long we have tarried:
But what shall we do for a ring?'

They sailed away
for a year and a day,
To the land where the Bong-tree grows,
And there in a wood
a Piggy-wig stood,
With a ring
at the end of his nose.

'Dear Pig,

are you willing to sell for one shilling Your ring?'

Said the Piggy,

'I will.'

So they took it away,

and were married next day

By the turkey

who lives on the hill.

They dined on mince,

and slices of quince,

Which they ate with a runcible spoon;

And hand in hand,

on the edge of the sand,

They danced by the light of the moon.