

# Ginny The Flying Girl

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Ginny the flying girl  
wanted to see the world  
Her parents were poor,  
and they couldn't afford  
to send her away for a whirl  
She waited until they slept  
and into the night she crept  
with only the stars and the cold light of mars,  
Ginny took off like a jet  
She rode through the sky  
like an elephant's eye  
Like the stars in a thundering herd  
and when she came down  
all the world had turned 'round  
All that the ground people heard  
was "Oh, for the life of a bird"  
She lived in a tiny room  
surrounded by huge balloons  
The covers would fly  
past her magical eye  
and the pillows saluted the moon  
At night when the lights went out,  
he'd take to the sky and shout  
"Hey, Milky Way, lead me on 'til the day  
"says hello to the night's turnabout!"  
She rode through the sky  
like an elephant's eye  
Like the stars in a thundering herd  
and when she came down  
all the world had turned 'round  
All that the ground people heard  
was "Oh, for the life of a bird"  
Whenever the world won't bend  
Whenever I need a friend  
I just close my eyes  
and I reach for the sky  
and I know I can make it again  
Whenever my dreams run dry  
Just when I need to cry  
Whenever it all looks too big, or too tall  
I remember that I can fly  
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like an elephant's eye  
Like the stars in a thundering herd  
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