

Peter The Parrot

Ralph McTell

Did you know that a parrot can speak?
He hasn't got lips - he's only got a beak
So he can't kiss but he'll give you a peck
And he loves a little tickle
Scratch him on the neck

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If you don't do it right, well he'll give you a peck
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That a perky pecking parrot is a pretty clever bird

Did you know parrots sleep on their feet
And they like peppers and nuts to eat?
They haven't got hands so they grab them in their claws
And pop them in their beaks
And crush them with their jaws

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One, two, three, give a round of applause
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That a pistol-packing, person-pecking, purple-perching
Peanut-popping, pepper-picking, penny-pinching, pickled
Parboiled parrot... is a pretty clever bird?