



## THE BOY WHO ATE THE SKY

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There was a hungry boy  
who swallowed the sun.  
'Oh, what have you done  
to the sun?' said his mother.  
'Now go to your room.'

And the very next day  
while his mum was away  
his eyes burned yellow, poor fellow!

There was a hungry boy  
who swallowed a cloud.  
'You're not allowed  
to eat a cloud,' said his mother.  
'Now go to your room.'

And the very next day  
while his mum was away  
his hair fluffed white, what a fright!  
Oh, his eyes burned yellow, poor fellow!

There was a hungry boy  
who swallowed a rainbow.  
'What a holy show  
to eat a rainbow,' said his mother.  
'Now go to your room.'

And the very next day  
while his mum was away  
one tooth turned red,  
then another went orange,  
and one more turned yellow.

Oh, what a surprise, it matched his eyes!

And one tooth went green,  
another turned blue,  
and one more went indigo,  
then another turned violet.

And when he grinned too wide  
his mother cried.

Oh, his teeth were a motley crew,  
boohoo!

Oh, his hair fluffed white, what a fright!  
Oh, his eyes burned yellow, poor fellow!  
And he never again left his room.

