

## Stripes or Spots

Would you rather have stripes or spots, be a zebra or a leopard or an ocelot  
Would you like to have stripes or spots, camouflage helps you a lot

For hiding in the grass while the lions are running past  
Climbing up a tree, in my dreams I'm free

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Would you like to have stripes or spots, camouflage helps you a lot

Waiting for your prey, in your spotted suit you lay  
Quietly you creep just before you leap

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Would you like to have stripes or spots, camouflage helps you a lot

Blending in, thick or thin, stripes or spots, lines & dots  
Camouflage helps your team to sleep safely while you dream, dream

Stripes are really cool when it is a sunny day  
Later on the clock they can make you hard to spot

Would you rather have stripes or spots, be a zebra or a leopard or an ocelot  
Would you like to have stripes or spots, camouflage helps you a lot

Perhaps you would like both especially if you are a sloth  
Or maybe you're a fish, your stripes & spots look really swish

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Camouflage helps your team to sleep safely while you dream, dream, dream,  
dream, dream

## Sleeping like a Log (Kauri Log)

Sleeping like a log lying in a forest bog  
Live for thousand years , now the kauri's resting here

Near to where I grow there's a little place I know  
In a bushy glen where a little light comes in  
We will make a stand living right next door to man  
Long I wish to last as I don't grow very fast

Sleeping like a log lying in a forest bog  
Live for thousand years , now the kauri's resting here

As the sun comes up my top leaves are soaking up  
Later in the day tuis and some parrots play  
High above the ground where they are most likely found  
A nice place to stay, a rainbow's never far away

Sleeping like a log lying in a forest bog  
Live for thousand years , now the kauri's resting here

Sleeping, sleeping for a long time

In dusk's afterglow gentle breezes start to blow  
Rustling through the leaves swaying branches sigh and heave  
Then a quiet time and that suits me very fine  
Resting in the dark of my bushy forest park

Sleeping like a log lying in a forest bog  
Live for thousand years , now the kauri's resting here

Sleeping, sleeping for a long time  
Sleeping, sleeping through space and time

## Cuckoo

When a cuckoo goes off to sleep he makes a sound that can't be beat  
Then he quietly nods his head and gets ready for bed

Hands go round in a circle, seems they never stop  
Perhaps the cuckoo gets tired before they get to the top

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Then he quietly nods his head and gets ready for bed

We clocked up some miles today, some would say they're, oh, Ks  
Running and playing since dawn, now it's time for a yawn

Cuckoos, Cuckoos, dancing in your head  
Cuckoos in tutus dream of getting fed

Little feet are dancing like fairies in the air  
When tired little tootsies dream without a care

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## Bears

Bears hibernate in the winter, they don't play in the snow  
Bears hibernate in the winter while the wind blows  
A carpet of white is my bed tonight, I can feel the fairies sprinkling stardust  
Despite all my might I am tired tonight, with a growl & a yawn I am sleeping

Bears hibernate in the winter, they don't play in the snow  
Bears hibernate in the winter while the wind blows

The moon may be bright but it's out of my sight as I close my eyes in a whisper

Bears hibernate in the winter, they don't play in the snow  
Bears hibernate in the winter while the wind blows

As darkness falls we wrap up our paws, our fur is cuddly as a blanket  
Even in the day we nap along the way, the seasons changing while we're  
sleeping

Bears hibernate in the winter, bears go to sleep when it's cold  
Young & old, shy or bold, the winter's long 'til summer's song

Dreams come & go as we roll to & fro, floating like a lazy river

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Bears hibernate in the winter, they don't play in the snow  
Bears hibernate in the winter while the wind blows, while the wind blows...

## Quiet as a Mouse

Shhh, let's be quiet as a mouse, Shhh, let's be quiet as a mouse  
Shhh, while we're creeping 'round the house, Shhh, let's be quiet as a mouse

Hiding in a corner, I'm not often seen  
I'm just keeping quiet, you know what I mean  
Sometimes you might hear me scurrying away  
In company of whispers, whiskering away

Shhh, let's be quiet as a mouse, Shhh, let's be quiet as a mouse  
Shhh, while we're creeping 'round the house, Shhh, let's be quiet as a mouse

Are we mice or mouses, be that as it may  
If there is some cheese around we're likely to stay  
Small is how we like to be so we are hard to find  
It's a real help to us as three of us are blind

(like three blind mice)

Shhh, let's be quiet as a mouse, Shhh, let's be quiet as a mouse  
Shhh, while we're creeping 'round the house, Shhh, let's be quiet as a mouse

It's hard to imagine thinking of mice and men  
We have much in common, but not a lot to spend

Shhh, let's be quiet as a mouse, Shhh, let's be quiet as a mouse  
Shhh, while we're creeping 'round the house, Shhh, let's be quiet as a mouse

Though some of us are little runts, we can still scare elephants  
And it's funny, people too, get into a tiz milieu

(like three blind mice)

Shhh, let's be quiet as a mouse, Shhh, let's be quiet as a mouse  
Shhh, while we're creeping 'round the house, Shhh, let's be quiet as a mouse...

## Puriri Moth

Flying High, it's almost like a dream, A moth's life is not all that it seems  
Puriri Moths have just two days to live to lay their eggs and start all over again

Burrowing a hole in a hardwood tree  
Here I live five years or more with my caterpillar knees  
And it's hard to see in my tunnel home  
I just mostly sleep and eat 'til I'm fully grown

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Puriri Moths have just two days to live to lay their eggs and start all over again

I don't grow too fast, that's how I'm going to last  
Living in a puriri it seems like an eternity  
NZ's biggest moth, six inches across  
That is when I'll fly, dodging the birds in the sky

Yes I'm big, big, New Zealand's biggest moth  
I'm big, big, big.....New Zealand's biggest moth

Flying High, it's almost like a dream, A moth's life is not all that it seems  
Puriri Moths have just two days to live to lay their eggs and start all over again

Through the metamorphosis in my chrysalis  
Hatch, then floating on the wind and hope I'm blending in  
To lay my eggs somewhere, quickly, quickly anywhere  
About 2000 out to keep the biggest moth about

Flying High, it's almost like a dream, A moth's life is not all that it seems  
Puriri Moths have just two days to live to lay their eggs and start all over again

I don't even have a mouth so I can't eat or sing  
Scattering my eggs around and hope some of them cling

Yes I'm big, big, New Zealand's biggest moth  
I'm big, big, big.....New Zealand's biggest moth

Flying High, New Zealand's biggest moth  
Yes I'm big, big, New Zealand's biggest moth...

## Nature Calling

When the sun gets lazy as it hits a daisy and the moon comes out too soon  
Then the summer's hazy gets a little more shady as you listen for autumn's  
tune

You can hear nature calling when it's dusk and it's dawning  
You can hear nature calling when you're playing or you're yawning

When the wind blows raindrops off a tree leaf cover like upside down  
balloons  
And the rain comes over and the four leaf clover has a shower in the gloom

You can hear nature calling when it's dusk and it's dawning  
You can hear nature calling when you're playing or you're yawning

When you see a seedling and you have a feeling that the flowers are coming  
through  
Then you hear birds singing as the buds are swinging your dreams must be  
coming true

You can hear nature calling when it's dusk and it's dawning  
You can hear nature calling when you're playing or you're yawning

Seasons, hot or freezin', Seasons, still or breezin'

When the bees are buzzing and the cows are nuzzling and life begins anew  
Then the scent of flowers that blow like towers, sunny days and skies of blue

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You can hear nature calling when you're playing or you're yawning

Seasons, hot or freezin', Seasons, still or breezin'

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## Fern (Koru)

Koru curls, fern unfurls, reaching out to live  
Fern uncurls as a flag unfurls, so much life to give

Sun & rain came down on me while I kept my cool  
And I waved from the hillside as the breezes blew  
The tiny Matuhi Bush Wren played, from frond to frond it flew  
I remember reaching out before the men came through

Koru curls, fern unfurls, reaching out to live  
Fern uncurls as a flag unfurls, so much life to give

There used to be a stream nearby, an icy water flow  
And I liked to listen to it in day's afterglow  
My roots made their way to it and it tickled my toes  
I thought it would last forever but one never knows

Koru curls, fern unfurls, reaching out to live  
Fern uncurls as a flag unfurls, so much life to give

If I had some feet to walk I might like to move  
Far away to quiet places with their treasure troves  
But I'm already buried here while another grows  
So I have regenerated, the life cycle goes...

On & on & on & on, on & on & on

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Fern uncurls as a flag unfurls, so much life to give

Koru, koru, on & on & on...