## **The Feathered Tiger**

## Kaleidoscope

Long time ago I had a dream all about a magic zoo
And the animals that lived there were in love like me and you
In the dream I wandered slowly in-between each magic cage
And the animals looked happy as they played their silly games
As the dream unwrapped around me, I could see their colours cle
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As the minutes split to seconds, I found you were standing near

So we wandered through the happy of the little magic zoo And the animals were quiet as they stared at me and you As the sun rose we bought ice cream but we couldn't eat it all So we gave it to the animals to keep them very cool Their happy laughter filled our ears and it made us happy too The animals were beautiful in their yellows, reds and blues

But in shadows of their victory, we did find a silent cage And the animal that lived there didn't seem to want to play We looked between the rusty bars through the darkness of the ca ge

And suddenly we saw the sad as the feathered tiger lay We found a key, unlocked the bars of the feathered tiger's cell

And with words of kindness begged him his story to us would tel  $1 \,$ 

But he was so very scared, he said we would laugh at him So we led him to the sunshine and played games but let him win We all played amongst the colours in the little magic zoo And soon he was much happier and we both loved him too But the evening drew in swiftly and the feathered tiger cried He was sad because we had to leave and the sun slipped from the sky

But we told him to act bravely and to never feel unclean He was the only feathered tiger that we both had ever seen We told him, "Only be yourself, you don't really want to change

To be yourself is beautiful, to be someone else is strange" The feathered tiger disappeared and so did my magic zoo And as I opened up my eyes, there was nothing else but you