

# The Greatest

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Little boy in a baseball hat stands in the field with his ball  
and bat  
Says, "I am the greatest player of them all"  
Puts his bat in his shoulder and he tosses up his ball.  
And the ball goes up and the ball comes down,  
Swings his bat all the way around  
The world so still you can hear the sound, the baseball falls t  
o the ground.  
Now the little boy doesn't say a word, picks up his ball he is  
undeterred.  
Says, "I am the greatest that there has ever been"  
And he grits his teeth and he tries again.  
And the ball goes up and the ball comes down,  
Swings his bat all the way around  
The world so still you can hear the sound, the baseball falls t  
o the ground.  
He makes no excuses he shows no fear  
He just closes his eyes and listens to the cheers.  
Little boy he adjusts his hat, picks up his ball, stares at his  
bat  
Says "I am the greatest when the game is on the line"  
And he gives his all one last time.  
And the ball goes up and the moon so bright  
Swings his bat with all his might  
The world's as still as still can be, the baseball falls  
And that's strike three.  
Now it's suppertime and his momma calls,  
Little boy starts home with his bat and ball.  
Says, "I am the greatest, that is a fact,  
But even I didn't know I could pitch like that!"  
Says, "I am the greatest, that is understood,  
But even I didn't know I could pitch that good!"