

# I Know an Old Lady (Who Swallowed a Fly)

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I know an old lady who swallowed a fly  
I don't know why she swallowed the fly  
Perhaps she'll die

I know an old lady who swallowed a spider  
That wriggled and jiggled and tickled inside her  
She swallowed the spider to catch the fly  
But I don't know why she swallowed the fly  
Perhaps she'll die

I know an old lady who swallowed a bird  
How absurd to swallow a bird  
She swallowed the bird to catch the spider  
That wriggled and jiggled and tickled inside her  
She swallowed the spider to catch the fly  
But I don't know why she swallowed the fly  
Perhaps she'll die

I know an old lady who swallowed a cat  
Imagine that. she swallowed a cat  
She swallowed the cat to catch the bird  
She swallowed the bird to catch the spider  
That wriggled and jiggled and tickled inside her  
She swallowed the spider to catch the fly  
But I don't know why she swallowed that fly  
Perhaps she'll die

I know an old lady who swallowed a dog  
What a hog to swallow a dog  
She swallowed the dog to catch the cat  
She swallowed the cat to catch the bird  
She swallowed the bird to catch the spider  
That wriggled and jiggled and tickled inside her  
She swallowed the spider to catch the fly  
But I don't know why she swallowed that fly  
Perhaps she'll die

I know an old lady who swallowed a goat  
Opened her throat and down went the goat  
She swallowed the goat to catch the dog  
She swallowed the dog to catch the cat  
She swallowed the cat to catch the bird  
She swallowed the bird to catch the spider  
That wriggled and jiggled and tickled inside her  
She swallowed the spider to catch the fly  
But I don't know why she swallowed that fly  
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I know an old lady who swallowed a cow  
I don't know how she swallowed the cow  
She swallowed the cow to catch the goat  
She swallowed the goat to catch the dog  
She swallowed the dog to catch the cat  
She swallowed the cat to catch the bird  
She swallowed the bird to catch the spider  
That wriggled and jiggled and tickled inside her  
She swallowed the spider to catch the fly

But I don't know why she swallowed that fly  
Perhaps she'll die

I know an old lady who swallowed a horse  
She's alive and well of course