## **Deadly Nightshade**

**Strawbs** 

The silent prophet
Seeks his inspiration after midnight
With a candle lit for comfort
In the shadow of the shade.

Belladonna

Waves a parasol beneath the window So enchanting and inviting In the scheme that she has laid.

The lonely prophet Waves to Belladonna from the window In the hope that she will notice And may wish to know his name.

But cruel Belladonna Turns to face the waiting sunrise With its promise of excitement Thinking little of the game.

Shine your lantern brightly
Do not heed the darkness lightly
We must always talk politely
In the presence of the night
Deadly nightshade
Hear me calling
Shadows of the evening
Falling down.

The quiet prophet

Gathers up his papers for the fire

He alone will read the message

In the words that he has burned.

Belladonna tries the door To find the room is empty And she coldly rakes the ashes For the love that she has spurned.