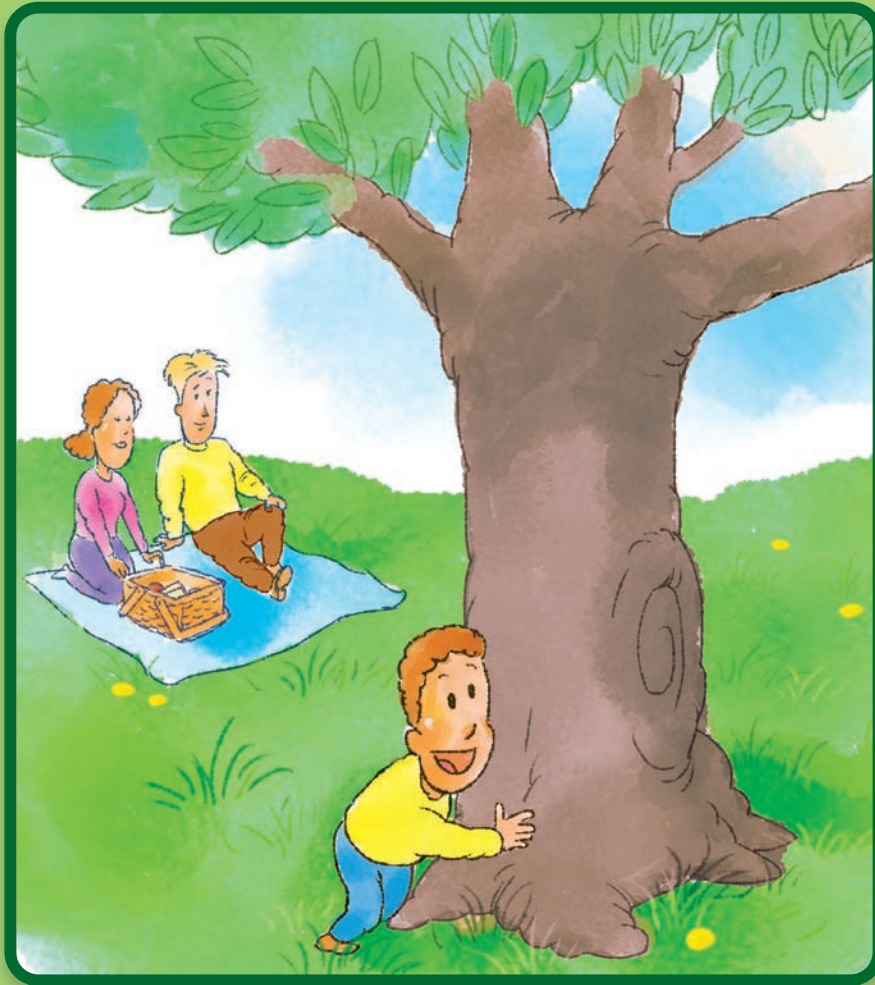


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**There was a hole
In the middle of the ground
The prettiest hole
That you ever did see.**

Oh! The hole in the ground
And the green grass grew all around, all around
The green grass grew all around.





And in that hole
There was a tree
The prettiest tree
That you ever did see.

Oh! The tree in the hole,
And the hole in the ground
And the green grass grew all around, all around
The green grass grew all around.





And on that tree
There was a branch
The prettiest branch
That you ever did see.

Oh! The branch on the tree,
And the tree in the hole,
And the hole in the ground
And the green grass grew all around, all around
The green grass grew all around.







**And on that branch
There was a nest
The prettiest nest
That you ever did see.**

Oh! The nest on the branch,
And the branch on the tree,
And the tree in the hole,
And the hole in the ground
And the green grass grew all around, all around
The green grass grew all around.







**And in that nest
There was an egg
The prettiest egg
That you ever did see.**

Oh! The egg in the nest,
And the nest on the branch,
And the branch on the tree,
And the tree in the hole,
And the hole in the ground
And the green grass grew all around, all around
The green grass grew all around.





**And in that egg
There was a bird
The prettiest bird
That you ever did see.**

Oh! The bird in the egg,
And the egg in the nest,
And the nest on the branch,
And the branch on the tree,
And the tree in the hole,
And the hole in the ground
And the green grass grew all around, all around
The green grass grew all around.



**And on that bird
There was a wing
The prettiest wing
That you ever did see.**

Oh! The wing on the bird,
And the bird in the egg,
And the egg in the nest,
And the nest on the branch,
And the branch on the tree,
And the tree in the hole,
And the hole in the ground
And the green grass grew all around, all around
The green grass grew all around.



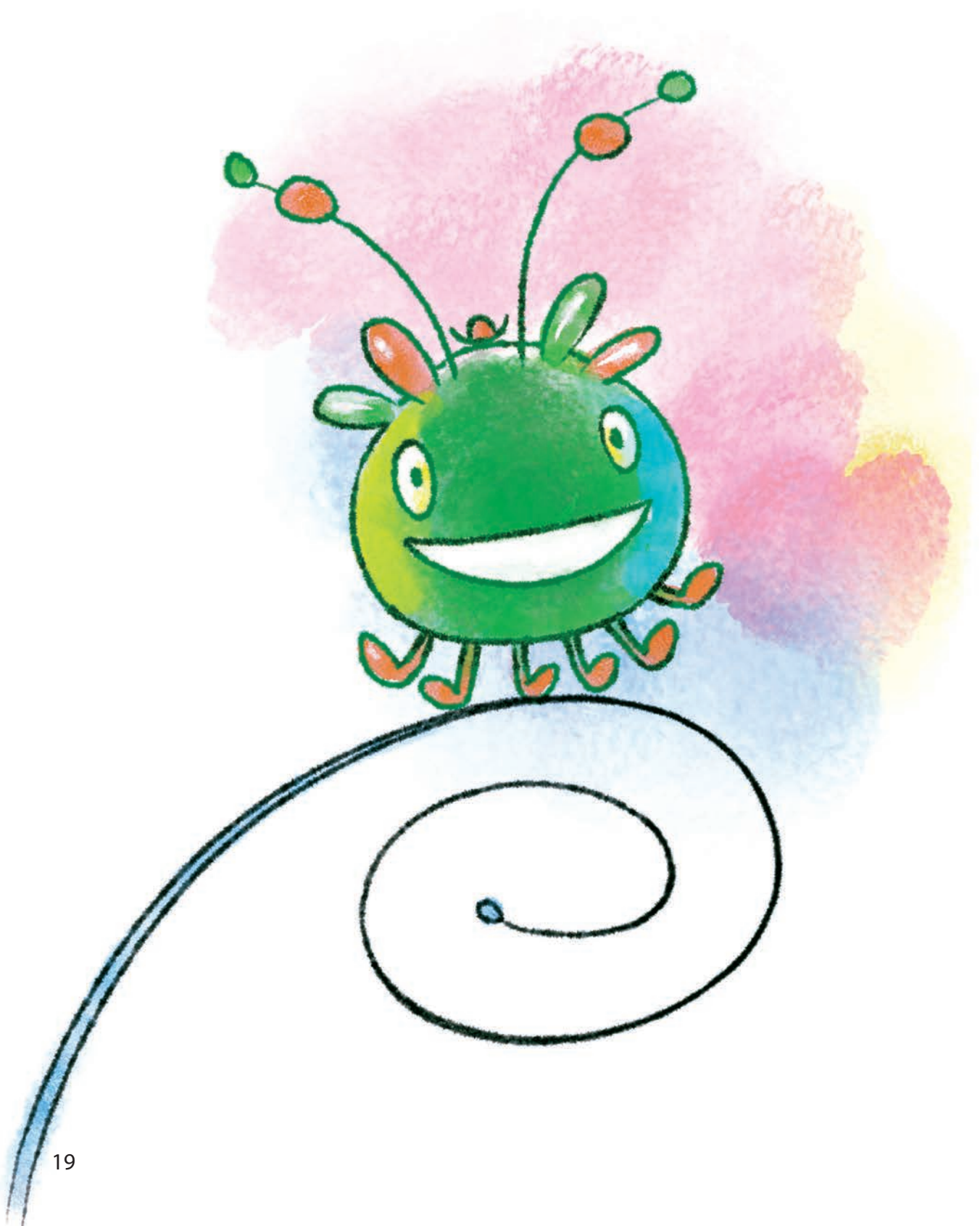
**And on that wing
There was a feather
The prettiest feather
That you ever did see.**

Oh! The feather on the wing,
And the wing on the bird,
And the bird in the egg,
And the egg in the nest,
And the nest on the branch,
And the branch on the tree,
And the tree in the hole,
And the hole in the ground
And the green grass grew all around, all around
The green grass grew all around.



**And on that feather
There was a bug
The prettiest bug
That you ever did see.**

Oh! The bug on the feather,
And the feather on the wing,
And the wing on the bird,
And the bird in the egg,
And the egg in the nest,
And the nest on the branch,
And the branch on the tree,
And the tree in the hole,
And the hole in the ground
And the green grass grew all around, all around
The green grass grew all around.



**And on that bug
There was a germ
The prettiest germ
That you ever did see.**

Oh! The germ on the bug,
And the bug on the feather,
And the feather on the wing,
And the wing on the bird,
And the bird in the egg,
And the egg in the nest,
And the nest on the branch,
And the branch on the tree,
And the tree in the hole,
And the hole in the ground
And the green grass grew all around, all around
The green grass grew all around.
And, the green grass grew all around, all around
The green grass grew all around!





About the Author

The Green Grass Grew All Around was written around 1912 by the American songwriter William Jerome. It is a good example of a cumulative song, where each verse adds a new stanza to the previous verse. Cumulative songs are fun to sing, because it becomes a game to remember the previous verse, and add the new lyrics to it.

About the Illustrator

When Craig was in 1st grade he created a picture collage with bottle caps and acorns and a dog cut out of brown paper. All the kids in his classroom thought the dog was a cow. From that day to this Craig has loved being an artist, drawing, illustrating, and animating. (Because in art, dogs can be cows!)

