

Shirley Ellis "The Name Game"

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Shirley!

Shirley, Shirley bo Birley Bonana fanna fo Firley
Fee fy mo Mirley, Shirley!

Lincoln!

Lincoln, Lincoln bo Bincoln Bonana fanna fo Fincoln
Fee fy mo Mincoln, Lincoln!

Come on everybody!

I say now let's play a game

I betcha I can make a rhyme out of anybody's name

The first letter of the name, I treat it like it wasn't there

But a B or an F or an M will appear

And then I say bo add a B then I say the name and
Bonana fanna and a

fo

And then I say the name again with an F very plain
and a fee fy and a mo

And then I say the name again with an M this time
and there isn't any name that I can't rhyme

Arnold!

Arnold, Arnold bo Barnold Bonana fanna fo Farnold
Fee fy mo Marnold Arnold!

But if the first two letters are ever the same,

I drop them both and say the name like

Bob, Bob drop the B's Bo ob

For Fred, Fred drop the F's Fo red

For Mary, Mary drop the M's Mo ary

That's the only rule that is contrary.

Okay? Now say Bo: Bo

Now Tony with a B: Bony

Then Bonana fanna fo: bonana fanna fo

Then you say the name again with an F very plain: Fony

Then a fee fy and a mo: fee fy mo

Then you say the name again with an M this time: Mony

And there isn't any name that you can't rhyme

Every body do Tony!

Pretty good, let's do Billy!

Very good, let's do Marsha!
A little trick with Nick!
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