

## **Tom Lehrer**

### **"Silent E"**

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Who can turn a can into a cane?  
Who can turn a pan into a pane?  
It's not too hard to see  
It's silent e

Who can turn a cub into a cube?  
Who can turn a tub into a tube?  
It's elementary  
For silent e

He took a pin and turned it into pine  
He took a twin and turned him into twine

Who can turn a cap into a cape?  
Who can turn a tap into a tape?  
A little glob becomes a globe instantly  
If you just add silent e

He turned a dam - alikazam! - into a dame  
But my friend sam stayed just the same

Who can turn a man into a mane?  
Who can turn a van into a vane?  
A little hug becomes huge instantly  
Don't add w, don't add x, and don't add y or z,  
Just add silent e

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