

The Legendary Pink Dots

"The Collector"

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Butterflies, three blind mice, eight little maids in a box.
He met them,
he kept them, he carefully puts them away for the rainy
day, when
nothing's left, no nothing's left to collect. {Whistling}
And sometimes he'd look in his catalog, and it was like
the whole wide
world bundled up and waved, and he'd saved those
waves, and he'd count
them. He'd count them, cos he loved counting things. 3
french hens, 2
turtles doves, a monkey in a big palm tree, a bunch of
green bananas that
are never ripe, an orangutan who says I love you and
you can pull a string
and it grins and it, it's a happy little thing, but it doesn't
say much,
so it isn't much good company. 15,934 plastic
facsimilies of the Eiffel
Tower, twenty percent of which were broken because
they were made in
Taiwan so they weren't built to last at all, and anyway
the proportions
were completely wrong, because they don't have the
Eiffel Tower in
Taiwan. All they have is pagodas. And he had many
bagodas too. He had
twenty-eight bagodas, which he shrunk with water and
kept them all in a
big trunk which he dug out from the sea from a huge
wreck of this old
galleon, and he kept galleons too, many, many
galleons with skeletons and
lots of treasure, and he collected them. He collected all
the treasure in
all the world, and he owned all the banks.

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