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### "My Hero Zero"

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Zero?

Yeah, Zero is a wonderful thing.  
In fact, Zero is my hero!

How can Zero be a hero?

Well, there are all kinds of heroes, you know.  
A man can get to be a hero  
For a famous battle he fought ...  
Or by studying very hard  
And becoming a weightless astronaut.

And then there are heroes of other sorts,  
Like the heroes we know from watching  
sports.  
But a hero doesn't have to be a grown-up  
person, you know,  
A hero can be a very big dog  
Who comes to your rescue,  
Or a very little boy who's smart enough to  
know what to do.

But let me tell you about my favorite hero.

My hero, Zero, such a funny little hero,  
But till you came along,  
We counted on our fingers and toes.  
Now you're here to stay  
And nobody really knows  
HOW wonderful you are.  
Why we could never reach a star,  
Without you, Zero, my hero,  
How wonderful you are.

What's so wonderful about a zero?  
It's nothing, isn't it?

Sure it represents nothing alone ...

But place a zero after 1  
And you've got yourself a 10.  
See how important that is?  
When you run out of digits,  
You can start all over again.  
See how convenient that is?

That's why with only 10 digits including zero,  
You can count as high as you could ever go ...

Forever, towards infinity,  
No one ever gets there, but you could try.

With 10 billion zeroes,  
>From the cavemen till the heroes,  
Who invented you,  
They counted on their fingers and toes  
And maybe some sticks and stones, or rocks  
and bones,  
And their neighbors'toes.  
You're here,  
And nobody really knows  
How wonderful you are.  
Why we could never reach the star,  
Without you, Zero, my hero,  
Zero, how wonderful you are.

Place one zero after any number  
And you've multiplied that number by 10.  
See how easy that is.  
Place two zeroes after any number  
And you've multiplied that number by 100.  
See how simple that is.  
Place three zeroes after any number  
And you've multiplied that number by 1,000.

Et cetera, et cetera, ad infinitum, ad astra,  
forever and ever  
With Zero, my hero, how wonderful you are

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