

## Vashti Bunyan

### "Rainbow River"

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The rainbow river is a laughing stream  
Down in a valley by a mountain that is pine tree tall  
The rainbow river has a small boy fishing with a worm  
And a jam jar by the waterfall  
Don't make a sound don't disturb the ground  
The biggest fish you ever saw is around  
And the rainbow river gives a rainbow fish  
As one small boy goes running proudly to his mother's  
call

The stonebuilt farmhouse is a rough stone cottage  
Hiding close against the hillside up a winding track  
The stonebuilt farmhouse has a fair-haired farmer  
Wearing wooden shoes and building up a new haystack  
Run in the door stand on the stone floor  
The oven opens- there's the biggest loaf you ever saw  
And the stonebuilt farmhouse gives a good warm  
welcome  
As he sits down in his own chair with a Windsor back

The magpie meadow is a glowing evening colour  
Sun is setting quietly and the boy is tired  
The magpie meadow has a sparrow hawk who hovers  
Hanging on the wind preying eagle eyed  
Sit by the lantern watch as the years turn  
Slowly bringing truth for every child to learn  
And the magpie meadow darkens gently blue now  
As the family sit their faces lit by ember fire

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