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## Reading Rainbow Theme Song

by: Steve Horelick, Dennis Kleinman and Janet Weir

Butterfly in the sky  
I can go twice as high  
Take a look  
It's in a book  
A Reading Rainbow

I can go anywhere  
Friends to know  
And ways to grow  
A Reading Rainbow

I can be anything  
Take a look  
It's in a book  
A Reading Rainbow  
A Reading Rainbow

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### **Ancient Places, Sacred Lands**

By Steve Horelick, Dennis Kleinman and Janet Weir  
Program Title: The Gift of the Sacred Dog

Come sit beside me, and hear a story  
Of long ago when the people lived free  
And named the waters, and all the places  
High and low

There was a plain they called Chicago  
It meant a place where strong things grow  
And Kentucky meant the land  
Of green meadows

**Refrain:** Ancient Places, Sacred Lands  
Names we know so well  
But no one understands

Mississippi means big river  
And Miami means great water  
Arizona means a place where  
Small springs flow

**(Repeat Refrain to end)**

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## Living in America

by Steve Horelick

Program Title: The Lotus Seed

Many voices  
One chorus  
Many rhythms  
One drum  
Many notes  
One melody  
Many people  
One world

**Refrain:** Many lives

Come together  
Many faces  
From many lands  
Everyone  
Part of a rainbow  
Shining bright  
Living in America

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## Reach For Your Dreams

By Steve Horelick

Program Title: Knots on a Counting Rope

It's hard to be courageous  
When what you want  
Seems so far away  
Still you imagine yourself a winner  
Reaching the top someday  
So you don't give up  
And try even harder  
Keeping your goals in sight  
And every day  
You get a little bit closer  
'Cause you never give up the fight

**Refrain:** Reach for Your Dreams

And know in your heart  
You can do anything that you want to  
Reach for Your Dreams, and  
Right from the start you'll find

They're not as far away as they seem, so  
Reach for Your Dreams

You've got to believe  
You're good enough  
To be anything you want to be  
Give it all that you've got  
And soon you'll be heading toward victory  
You don't give up  
And you try even harder  
Keeping your goals in sight  
And every day  
You're just a little bit closer  
'Cause you never give up the fight

**(Repeat Refrain to end)**

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## **Desert Seasons**

by Steve Horelick

Program Title: Desert Giant

Hot sun burning  
In the desert sky  
Heat waves rising  
It's very dry, and it's  
Hard to imagine that the  
Desert changes seasons too, but in

Spring the cactus bloom  
And flowers grow  
In the summer it rains  
The winter brings snow  
A place filled with wonder, and it's  
Changing the whole year through

**Refrain:** Up and down  
To and fro  
The season's come  
Then around and around they go  
Until they start all over again  
When the winter  
Turns to spring  
Renewing life for everything  
It's always beginning  
Like a circle, it never ends

**Refrain:** Summer, Fall  
Winter, Spring  
Renewing life for everything  
It's always beginning  
Like a circle, it never ends

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## **In A Balloon**

By Steve Horelick, Dennis Kleinman and Janet Weir

Program Title: Hot Air Henry

Nothing is holding me  
I'm rising easily  
Into the open air  
Wherever the wind wants me to be

**Refrain:** I'm on top of the world today  
Seeing it all in a brand new way  
In a Balloon in the sky  
Soon you may see me passing by

Look at the world below  
Look at the people go  
I wonder if they see me  
Maybe I'll wave and say hello

### **(Refrain)**

Oh, my  
I feel like I can reach out  
And touch everything I see  
High above a world of wonder  
Gliding gently, flying free  
And from here I can see everything  
And everything I see is fine with me

Refrain: In a Balloon in the sky  
Soon you may see me passing by  
In a Balloon in the sky  
Soon you may see me passing by

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## **The Transcontinental Railroad**

By Steve Horelick

Program Title: Kate Shelley and the Midnight Express

They started in the East layin' down the rails  
And out in California, they were blazing out a trail  
Toward the center they did strive  
No one knew when they would arrive  
Building 'The Transcontinental Railroad'

They cleared the way and blasted through the mountain side  
And built big trestle bridges stretching over valleys wide.  
And it's a fact they laid more than three-thousand miles of track

To build 'The Transcontinental Railroad'

It took six years, and in the Spring of 1869.  
In Promontory Utah they connected the two lines.  
And across this growing nation  
Folks joined in the celebration  
Of 'The Transcontinental Railroad'

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## **The Tugboat Captain's Song**

By Steve Horelick, Dennis Kleinman and Janet Weir

Program Title: Mystery on the Docks

I see the seagulls flying  
Over flags from every land  
I see great ships from every port  
They all look mighty grand

I am a Tugboat Captain  
Here's the song I've always sung  
My boat may be a small one  
But it gets a big job done

**Refrain:** Away, haul away, haul away  
Movin' all the mighty ships  
In and out of the bay

Shiny ocean liners  
Oil tankers, too  
Cargo ships and barges  
We've got to pull them through

I am a Tugboat Captain  
Here's the song I've always sung  
My boat may be a small one  
But it gets a big job done

**(Refrain)**

**(Repeat Refrain)**

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## **WHEELS**

By Steve Horelick and Susan Ring

Program Title: Bicycle Man

They've been moving us along for years  
Going places without walking

Rolling tires and spinning gears  
Don't you know we're talkin'  
Talkin' 'bout

**Refrain:** (Wheels) They take you up in the air  
(Wheels) They steer you 'cross the ocean  
(Wheels) You can find them everywhere  
(Wheels) Movin' in a circular motion

Up and down and along the ground  
They take away the friction  
They make it easier to get around  
It's a fact not fiction

**Refrain:** (Wheels) You can ride them here to there  
(Wheels) If you get the notion  
(Wheels) Yeah, you can find them everywhere  
(Wheels) Movin' in a circular motion

Turning by themselves or working in pairs  
We're talkin' circles not squares!

**(Repeat Refrain to end)**

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## Three Cheers for Eggs

Written by: Steve Horelick, Dennis Kleinman and Janet Weir

Program Title: Jimmy's Boa Ate the Wash

**Intro:** On the farm there's open space  
And blue sky up above  
There's cows and geese and ducks and pigs  
And lots, and lots, and lots, of . . .

Eggs  
Those roly-poly things  
That only hens can lay  
Eggs  
They're everywhere you go  
All the same in every way  
Outside they're like a white football  
Inside they're not like that at all  
There's something special about those things  
Called eggs

**Refrain:** They're in your souffles and mayonnaise  
Don't you think it's time they got some praise?

Three Cheers for Eggs  
They're really fun to eat  
So you won't be surprised to hear  
Eggs  
Fifty billion eggs  
Get eaten every year!

Some are scrambled, some are fried  
Some wind up on their sunny side  
You've never met anyone who hasn't tried  
An egg

They don't mind if you mistreat 'em  
You can crack and whip and beat 'em  
But most of all, folks like to eat 'em

**(Instrumental)**

Some of those eggs  
Will hatch into chicks  
And grow up into hens  
Those hens will start laying more eggs again!

**(Repeat Refrain)**

Let's hear it for eggs!  
Hooray for eggs!  
Three Cheers for Eggs!

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**I'm Breakin' Out**

By Steve Horelick, Dennis Kleinman and Janet Weir

Program Title: Chickens Aren't the Only Ones

Living in an egg's  
Not all its cracked up to be  
There's a whole wide world out there  
I'd sure like to see  
I'd like to spread my wings  
Though I'm not sure  
If chickens can fly  
There are so many things  
I'll never know I can do  
Unless I give 'em a try

**Refrain:** I'm Breakin' Out  
I'm Breakin' Out  
It's hard to leave the old shell behind  
But that's what growing's all about  
I'm Breakin' Out  
Without a doubt  
Come what may - today's the day  
I'm Breakin' Out

**Verse:** I may be a little chicken  
But I'm not afraid  
I've been waiting for this moment  
Since the moment I was laid  
I don't know what the world is like  
But I bet its really swell  
So make some room 'cause today's the day  
I'm Breakin' out of my shell (Look out world!)

**Refrain:** I'm Breakin' Out

I'm Breakin' Out  
I'll make lots of friends with future roosters and hens  
There's no time to sit and pout  
I'm Breakin' Out  
Without a doubt  
Come what may  
Today's the day  
I'm Breakin' Out

Come what may  
Today's the day  
I'm Breakin' Out

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**Traveling in Time**

By Steve Horelick, Dennis Kleinman and Janet Weir

Program Title: Ox-Cart Man

Where were you yesterday?  
What were you doing?  
Are you doing something different today?  
While you are going  
On your own way  
Each day is flowing  
Into another day

**Refrain:** Just by sitting where you are

You're Traveling in Time  
You're a shooting star  
Traveling in Time  
Here you are today  
Yesterday has passed  
Soon you're in tomorrow  
And even that won't last  
You may not even feel it  
But you're moving fast  
Traveling in Time  
Tra-avelling  
Traveling in Time  
Traveling in Time  
Tra-avelling  
Traveling in Time

Now if you close your eyes  
Dream of tomorrow  
Are you seeing things a different way?  
Now you are going  
On your own way  
And each day is flowing  
Into another day

**(Repeat Refrain)**

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## **Dream A Dream**

by Steve Horelick and Janet Weir

Program Title: Sam the Sea Cow

Sunlight on the water  
Reflections on the world below  
The Manatee  
So peacefully  
Swimming in the shallows.

**Refrain:** Dream a dream  
Of the way the world could be.  
(Save the Manatee)  
Dream a dream  
Where everything lives free.

Darkness on the water  
Casting shadows on the world below  
The Manatee  
So helplessly  
Have no other place to go, let's

**Refrain:** Dream a dream  
Of the way the world could be.  
(Save the Manatee)  
Dream a dream  
Where everything lives free.

Graceful gentle giants  
Side by side so peacefully  
Can we learn to live together  
We've just got to live together  
It won't be easy, until we

**Refrain:** Dream a dream  
Of the way the world could be.  
(Save the Manatee)  
Dream a dream  
Where everything lives free.  
(Let's make this reality)

**(Repeat Refrain)**

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## **Busy Bee**

By Steve Horelick, Dennis Kleinman and Janet Weir

Program Title: The Honeybees

### **Refrain:**

We're busy busy bees  
We live in the hive  
Working together is what keeps us alive  
We got jobs to do  
So excuse us please  
We're busy, busy, busy, busy, bees

### **Verse:**

We fly to the fields  
In the early morning hours  
To get pollen and nectar  
From out of the flowers  
We'll make honey from the nectar  
That we've found  
We'll take some of the pollen  
And spread it around  
Which will pollinate the flowers  
And make more grow  
Then with pollen 'n nectar  
To the hive we'll go  
We're busy, busy, busy, busy, bees

Back at the hive  
Our home sweet home  
We store the honey for later  
In the honey comb  
Let me introduce you to  
Some royalty  
It's a hard working lady  
That's our Queen Bee  
She lays eggs all day  
She doesn't miss a beat  
Other bees have to feed her  
'Cause she has no time to eat  
She's a busy, busy bee  
A busy, busy, busy, busy, bee

The eggs hatch into larvae  
And we feed them too  
And we guard the entrance  
There's so many jobs to do  
We work real hard  
And that's not jive  
And that's the latest buzz  
From inside the bee hive

**(Repeat Refrain)**

We're busy, busy, busy, busy, bees

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## **With the Whales**

By Steve Horelick

Program Title: Humphrey, the Lost Whale

Underwater melodies  
Drifting on currents  
Rising up toward the sky  
Whales singing so mysteriously  
I want to sing along  
But the words just pass me by

### **Refrain:** Sail away

Sail the sea  
With the whales  
Is where I want to be

Dancers of the deep, dark sea  
Dancing with the waves  
Flying oh so high, in  
Ocean choreography  
I want to dance with you  
But I feel a little shy, and I

### **Refrain:** Sail Away

Sail the sea  
With the whales  
Is where I want to be, so I

### **Bridge:** I wrote this little song for you

If you hear it  
You can flash your tails, or  
Sing along if you want to  
It's just a simple song  
A love song to the whales, and I

### **Refrain:** Sail Away

Sail the sea  
With the whales  
Is where I want to be  
Sail away, I'm  
Sailing free  
With the whales  
Is where I want to be

**(Repeat Refrain to end)**

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**A Family is Where You Find Love**

by Steve Horelick and Janet Weir

Program Title: Through Moon and Stars and Night Sky

I hear a lot of talkin' 'bout families  
Seems like everyone's telling me  
How they're s'posed to be  
Been doing a lot of lookin' and what I see  
All different kinds of ways to be  
Be a family

**Bridge:** It's all in the way  
You care about each other  
Whether your family's big or small  
Day by day  
Doin' things together  
You know they're there for you, and most of all

**Refrain:** A Family is Where You Find Love  
(The Ones Who Love You)  
A Family is Where You Find Love  
(The ones that you love too)  
A Family is Where You Find Love  
A Family is Where You Find Love, love, love. .

Moms and Dads and sisters 'n brothers too  
Aunts 'n Uncles, cousins,  
Just to name a few  
Friends can be a part of your family  
Anyone you want can be  
You know it's up to you!

**(repeat Bridge)**

**(repeat chorus to end)**

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## **Hand To Hand, Heart To Heart**

by Steve Horelick and Janet Weir

Program Title: Mrs. Katz and Tush

Hand to Hand  
Heart to Heart

Everybody needs  
Just a little head start  
On and on  
The circle goes  
Sharing all the things you know  
And growing together...  
Hand to Hand  
Heart to Heart

It feels so good to give  
A little help from time to time  
Giving is as easy as it seems  
Try to find that special someone  
To share your heart and mind  
And guide them to their dreams

Hand to Hand  
Heart to Heart  
Everybody needs  
Just a little head start  
Round and round  
The circle goes  
Sharing all the things we know  
And growing together...  
Being together...  
Always together...  
Hand to Hand  
Heart to Heart

(Growing together)  
Being together...  
(Being together)  
Always together..  
(Always together)  
Hand to Hand  
Heart to Heart

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## **Puddle Hopping**

By Steve Horelick, Dennis Kleinman and Janet Weir

Program Title: Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain

Woke up this morning  
I could see the wind was blowing and the  
Rain was dropping  
    No school today  
Mom's working and my Daddy is  
Going shopping

**Refrain:** What a day!

Don't get the blues  
Put on your coat  
And your rainy day shoes  
And go Puddle Hopping  
Puddle Hopping

On a day like today  
All my friends stay in to play, but  
I'm not stopping

Looking on the ground  
All around till I've found me a  
Puddle I can plop in

**Refrain:** What a way

To chase the blues  
When there's nothing to do  
You've got nothing to lose  
Go Puddle Hopping  
Puddle Hopping

It's raining  
Don't stay inside  
Get on your feet or get your bike and ride  
Ya' ain't lived till you've tried  
Puddle Hopping  
Puddle Hopping

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## **The Flyers**

by Steve Horelick

Program Title: Bored - Nothing to Do!

Many years ago near Kitty Hawk  
There lived the Brothers Wright  
They were working on a something called an airplane  
Trying to be the first in flight  
Well they worked real hard  
And they put it all together  
And soon they were flying  
Just as light as a feather  
And they flew right into history

If they handed out wings for bravery  
Charlie Lindbergh would be the guy  
'Cause across the Atlantic Ocean  
Is where he aimed to fly

They thought he was crazy  
Didn't think he had a chance  
But they cheered him as he landed  
In Paris, France, and  
He flew right into history

**Refrain:** Let's cheer The Flyers  
Challenging the sky  
Hooray for The Flyers  
Flying low and flying high  
Let's here it for The Flyers  
The men and women through the years  
Who've become the aviation pioneers

Many years have passed  
Since those early days  
The planes have changed a lot  
And the pilots who flew those early flights  
Have made way for the astronauts  
And they fly the shuttle fast, like it's in a race  
They have to give it lots of gas to get to outer space  
Then they soar right into history

**Repeat Refrain**

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## **You Mean the World to Us**

By Meyer and Ashley

Program Title: And Still the Turtle Watched

Come you dreamers  
Close your eyes  
Dream a dream of cloudless skies  
Dream of oceans pure and clean  
Of the Earth alive and green  
Dream of fields of morning dew  
Of the world when it was new  
Dream of how it might have been  
Could it be that way again

**Refrain:** You mean the world to us  
And we who call you Earth  
Are holding to a dream  
The dream of your rebirth  
For all you give to us  
What's left for us to do  
But take you in our hands  
And give life back to you

For all you give to us

What's left for us to do  
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And give back life to you

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