The Story of OVO

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A long time ago, in a far away land

Theo was the man who learned to understand

The riches of the earth

And all that it was worth

The first man that ever tried to stand with his own plan

Now this man was all about the wind rain and trees

He knew that it would take care of all of his family needsNow Ion was the son who spent his nights and days

Looking for all kinds of ways to get his father's praise

In all daddy's ways he just wanted to impress

Make it faster, stronger is what he tried to stressSofia was the girl

Living in her own world

She found love and joy with a young sky boy

Sky boys were seen as less to the rest

So it would seem

Sofia went into the woods to daydream

With love in her eyes

Her own father would despise

Her love for the young sky boy he would destroyFeet in the earth

Heads in the sky

We watch the world go by

Feet in the earth

Heads in the sky

We watch as life goes by When Theo was gone, his son Ion took the power

And in his daddy's name, he built the biggest strongest tower

The earth people and sky people divided by machines

And the ones who had nothing were the ones who had the wingsThe sky boy just wanted everything to be equal

From full-time lover to now fighting for his peopleNow Beth was the mom

Who really loved to weave

She couldn't believe her own son would decieve

The sky people got hungry and their welfare was ignored

She let them in the tower and the bloody battle roared

Down came iron and the tower fell as well

The dark days were over and the sky people's hellFeet in the earth

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We watch as life goes by Sofia and the sky boy had long been kept apart

Sofia grief was faded it was joy that filled her heart
Wrapped in his loving wings Sofia took her man
So the earth and sky united
It was all father's planTheo kept an acorn
Sofia had carefully safely saved

It was planted in the ground that her brother had once paved

With a rustling and a creaking an unearthly sound

Something hig started growing right out of the fertile groundIt was the higgest tree that any of the

Something big started growing right out of the fertile groundIt was the biggest tree that any of the people ever seen

And it covered up the sky with a layer of leafy green
Then it rained and it rained and they watched the waters rise
Then Sofia led her people to the safety of the skiesFeet in the earth

Heads in the sky
We watch the world go by
Feet in the earth

Heads in the sky

We watch as life goes by She climbed and she climbed

But never giving up So pregnant and exhausted Finally made it to the top

She looked into the sky and the world began to turn

And with a single cry a new baby had arrivedWith OVO in his nest, everyone one had done their best

To prepare for the world and every single test

Soon he was blessed and as his mother stood by

He was soon released and sailed off into the sky

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