

Cells

They Might Be Giants

Life is made out of cells
Cells make copies of themselves
And they make copies of themselves
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Different cells have different jobs
But they all have one thing in common
Inside of every cell is a twisted ladder
A recipe for life called DNA
The directions are written out in the ladder's rungs
Where they can be found
In every cell of everything that lives
A cell knows what it has to do
To grow into some moss or a shrew
Algae or a kangaroo, bug or a sunflower
Dwight David Eisenhower, a frog, a fish or you

Cells are small, too small to see
But together they can make a tree
Within the cell there's a tiny spiral staircase
That tells the cell just how it's going to grow
The instructions are spelled out in letters, one on every step
In a language that the cell knows how to read
Inside the cell is a tiny double helix
Another fancy word for DNA
Which could also be a spiral staircase
Which could also be a twisted ladder
Which could also be a spring
Which could also be a spiral staircase
Which could also be a twisted ladder
Or a crazy looking spring, yeah

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