

# The Great Valerio

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High up above the crowd  
The great Valerio is walking  
The rope seems hung from cloud to cloud  
And time stands still while he is walking  
His eye is steady on the target  
His foot is sure upon the rope  
Alone and peaceful as a mountain  
And certain as the mountain slope  
We falter at the sight  
We stumble in the mire  
Fools who think they see the light  
Prepare to balance on the wire  
But we learn to watch together  
And feed on what we see above  
Till our hearts turn like the seasons  
And we are acrobats of love  
How we wonder, how we wonder  
Watching far below  
We would all be that great hero  
The great Valerio  
Come all you upstart jugglers  
Are you really ready yet?  
Who will help the tightrope walker  
When he tumbles to the net  
So come with me to see Valerio  
As he dances through the air  
Im your friend until you use me  
And then be sure I wont be there  
How we wonder, how we wonder  
Watching far below  
We would all be that great hero  
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