

## 1 / 24. SECRET AGENT MAGPIE

*I. R. Williams*

What's black and white and walks around?  
Checking out what's on in town  
Look you up and look you down  
Quiet! Don't you make a sound!

**Secret... Agent... Magpie**  
**Secret... Agent... Magpie**  
**Secret... Agent... Magpie**  
**I' got my, I' got my eye on you**

The early morning call goes out  
A coded message (yeah, no doubt)  
Here's the plan, now where's the hideout?  
Cool it kiddo! Eh lookout!

Oo-oo, oo-oo, oo-oo, oo-oo  
Oo-oo, oo-oo, oo-oo, oo-oo  
I' got my, I' got my eye on you

This afternoon a friend of mine  
Told me there were four this time  
Spies about and maybe crime  
Watch it! Don't step on the line!

## 2. EYES IN THE BACK OF MY HEAD

*I.R. Williams*

Walking down the bitumen road  
I get that funny feeling  
Someone behind a curtain window  
I know, I can feel them peeking  
'Cause I got...

**Eyes in the back of my head**  
**Eyes in the back of my head**  
**I can feel you stare behind me**  
**'Cause I got eyes in the back of my head**

Waiting for the little green person  
Cross the road and I turn around  
Someone behind a steering wheel  
Hey big eyes, what you found?  
Yes I got...

Minding my own business  
I get a shiver down my spine  
Don't you dare give me that stare  
I know you' there all the time  
'Cause I got...

## 3. BIG STORM

*I. R. Williams*

Something's going on in the skies up above  
And something's in the water-hole – Oh, no!  
Winds are gonna build up  
Clouds are gonna cover up  
Big storm is a-gonna blow, blow, blow

**Lightning's gonna flash, flash**  
**Thunder's gonna crash, crash**  
**Rain from the skies is gonna flow, flow, flow**  
**Don't get a fright, fright**  
**Hold on tight, tight**  
**Big storm is a-gonna blow, blow, blow**

What you gonna do when the roads are washed through?  
When the creeks all begin to flow? Oh, no!  
Winds are gonna build up  
Clouds are gonna cover up  
Big storm is a-gonna blow, blow, blow

## 4. LIVING IN AUSTRALIA

*I. R. Williams*

Platypus, koala, living in the south  
Crocodile up north got a mighty big mouth  
Kangaroo, emu and wallaby too  
They were all here before the white man knew

**Swimming in the water, flying in the sky**  
**Living off the land as the years roll by**  
**The animals, the birds and the fishes too**  
**Living in Australia with me and you**

Camel got a hump and donkey got a tail  
Came here on a boat with a great big sail  
Brought a buffalo and brought along a pig  
A rabbit and a toad 'cause they're not very big

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## 5. BOX JELLYFISH

*I. R. Williams*

Well you mustn't go to swimming in the salt water  
In the salt water, in the salt water  
No you mustn't go to swimming in the salt water  
When the box jellyfish are there  
'Cause you can't see them hiding in the salt water  
In the salt water, in the salt water  
No you can't see them hiding in the salt water  
But the box jellyfish are there

**When the ground is getting hotter**  
**Or the rainy season comes**  
**All the silent, deadly killers**  
**Will be waiting near the shore**  
**Their tentacles will sting you**  
**They will tingle-tangle burn you**  
**You'll be crying, you'll be screaming**  
**You'll be aa-aa-aagh!**

Well you mustn't even paddle in the salt water  
In the salt water, in the salt water  
No you mustn't even paddle in the salt water  
When the box jellyfish are there  
'Cause you can't see them hiding in the salt water  
In the salt water, in the salt water  
No you can't see them hiding in the salt water  
But the box jellyfish are there

## 6. GO HELICOPTER!

*I. R. Williams*

Emergency! Emergency!  
Calling hospital base  
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Calling hospital base  
Ten, nine, eight,  
Seven, six, five,  
Four, three, two, one, zero!

**Go! Helicopter!**  
**Flying out of the blue**  
**Go! Helicopter!**  
**Coming to the rescue**

Emergency! Emergency!  
Patient loaded on board  
Emergency! Emergency!  
Patient loaded on board  
Ten, nine, eight,  
Seven, six, five,  
Four, three, two, one, zero!

## 7. GO BUSH

*I. R. Williams*

We go by road, go bump on the dusty road  
Just me and my family  
Go bush, go wild and free  
The dust is billowing far behind  
Covering you and me  
It's in our hair and our eyes and nose  
And everything we can see

We go by sea, the beautiful salty sea  
Just me and my family  
Go bush, go wild and free  
The spray is billowing far behind  
Splashing on you and me  
It's in our hair and our eyes and nose  
And everything we can see

We go up high, way up in a plane so high  
Just me and my family  
Go bush, go wild and free  
The cloud is billowing far behind  
Higher than land or sea  
It's in our hair and our eyes and nose  
And everything we can see

## 8. UPSIDE-DOWN ABOVE US

*I. R. Williams*

Upside-down above us  
Sideways on the wall  
Geckoes every which way  
On magic feet they crawl  
Calling: "Tch-tch tch-tch tch-tch tch  
Look where we are  
Tch-tch tch-tch tch-tch tch  
We won't fall!"

Squabbling in the fruit trees  
Hanging by their feet  
Flying-foxes feeding  
With hungry tongues they eat  
Calling: "Eeh, eeh, eeh, eeh  
Look where we are  
Eeh, eeh, eeh, eeh  
We won't fall!"

Climbing up the drainpipe  
Crawling 'round the sink  
Green frogs in the toilet-bowl  
With big round eyes they blink  
Calling: "Kwork, kwork, kwork, kwork  
Look where we are  
Kwork, kwork, kwork, kwork  
We won't fall!"

## 9. ECHIDNA TOES (THE DIZZY GAME)

*I. R. Williams*

Echidna toes, a wallaby nose  
A sound-hole on my knee, sound hole on my knee  
The tune I play on my guitar  
It makes no sense to me, makes no sense to me

**Spin yourself around about and dizzy as we go**  
**Spin yourself around about**  
**Now FREEZE!!!... or out you go**  
**Freeze or out you go**

Cicada sing your magic song  
On eucalyptus tree, eucalyptus tree  
And kookaburra laughing on  
He says the joke's on me, says the joke's on me

Counting 1 – 10 in:

- English
- Italian
- Tiwi
- Southern Cantonese

## 10. DEBUL-DEBUL

*I. R. Williams*

### (Kriol\* Lyrics)

Jad mukmuk  
Im bla debuldebul bren  
Bla debuldebul bren  
'Oo-oo oo-oo'

Lugat bla jad debuldebul!  
Yu labta ranran  
Kwikbala ranran  
Imin gulujap gajim yu!  
Imin gulujap gajim yu!

'Aaaa!'

### (English Translation)

That owl  
He is the devil-spirit's friend  
The devil-spirit's friend  
'Oo-oo oo-oo'

Look out for that devil-spirit!  
You'll have to run  
Run quickly  
He's close to catching you!  
He's close to catching you!

'Aaaaagh!'

\* Ngukurr-Bamyili Kriol as spoken at Ngukurr and Barunga  
in the Northern Territory

## 11. THE RAINBOW SNAKE

*I. R. Williams*

There's a rainbow fish... (echo)  
There's a rainbow bird... (echo)  
A rainbow beach... (echo)  
That's what I've heard... (echo)  
But big and dangerous... (echo)  
Is the rainbow snake... (echo)  
Travels the land... (echo)  
Sleeps under the lake... (echo)

## 12. FLAT OUT LIKE A LIZARD DRINKING

*I. R. Williams*

Flat out like a lizard drinking  
Flat out like a lizard lying on a rock  
Better hurry up I'm thinking  
Better hurry up and stop!

Saw it on the TV, heard it on the news  
Frill-neck lizard wearing running shoes  
Came in champion of a ten mile hike  
Last seen riding on a motor bike!

## 13. THE EMU KNEES WOBBLE SONG

*I. R. Williams*

Into the bush, out in the scrub  
Down by the creek, stuck in the mud  
My emu legs, got emu knees  
Just look at these – two emu knees!  
Wobble!

Under the stars, campfire light  
My shadow dancing in the night  
My emu legs, got emu knees  
Just look at these – two emu knees!  
Wobble!

Over the road and down the street  
The burning tar beneath my feet  
My emu legs, got emu knees  
Just look at these – two emu knees!  
Wobble!

#### 14. COCONUT TREE

I. R. Williams

Now I'm not mad and I'm not insane  
I swear I am the full quid  
I climb high, but I cannot fly  
So I'll tell you what I did:

*I fell out of a coconut tree*

*Nearly broke my back and my neck*

*The kids said 'Be careful!' and I said I would*

*But now I'm a physical wreck*

*I fell out of a coconut tree*

*And I know that it seems quite dumb*

*Didn't land upon my feet,*

*I landed on my*

(1. Backside 2. Bottom 3. Derriere 4. Khyber Pass)

Well I like to drink the coconut juice  
And chew on the flesh inside  
Usually I know what to do  
Knock 'em down, then down I glide

My backbone squose like a concertina  
And them I'm laying flat  
'Cause the ground came up to say 'Hello'  
No 'High five', just a 'Splat!'

Well I like to look on the bright side of life  
And I know that it's my good luck  
That when I fell I didn't land  
On my very own coconut!

#### 15. T.V.

I.R. Williams

TV doesn't like it in the rain  
TV likes to suck my brain  
TV makes the days go by and disappear  
TV makes the days go by and disappear

**Television, television, television**

**Television, television, television**

TV channel, volume, colour, brightness and tone  
TV is company when I'm alone  
TV made of wires, electrodes and such  
TV not for kissing or for baby to touch  
TV not for kissing or for baby to touch

TV how I love you, you're my one desire!  
TV makes my blood flow, sets my heart on fire!  
TV you're the ultimate in my living room!  
TV of the universe: BIM, BAM, BOOM!  
TV of the universe: Bim, bam, boom!

#### 16. UNDERNEATH THE MANGO TREE

I. R. Williams

Underneath the mango tree were we  
Hiding in the tree was Tarnikini\*

Look out down below for the ripe mango  
Raining down below from the ripe mango

Oh, no, oh, no  
Oh, no. Go mango, mango

\*Fruit bat, in the language of the Tiwi people  
of Bathurst and Melville Islands, N. T.

#### TARNIKINI

I. R. Williams

Hide 'n' seek 'n' hide 'n' seek  
Can' you see me  
Hidden in the branches like Tarnikini?  
I like it when I'm hidden, like it when I'm found  
I like it in the branches, we drop to the ground  
There's no-one in the tree-house  
Just you, and me  
Just you and me and sometimes maybe Tarnikini

#### 17. WAYAYI KUWAYIJIMI (THE CURLEW CRIES)

I. R. Williams

**(Tiwi\* Lyrics)**

Wayayi kuwayijimi... (echo)  
Ngimpi-pirtangaya... (echo)  
Wayayi kuwayijimi... (echo)  
Ampapi-rraya awungarruwu... (echo)

Winyiwinyinga... (echo)  
Ngimpi-pirtangaya... (echo)  
Winyiwinyinga... (echo)  
Ampapi-rraya awungarruwu... (echo)

Yirrimiruwu... (echo)  
Ngimpi-pirtangaya... (echo)  
Yirrimiruwu... (echo)  
Apapi-rraya awungarruwu... (echo)

Curlew cries... (echo)  
I heard her cry... (echo)  
Curlew cries... (echo)  
Down, down, she gone away... (echo)

**(English Translation)**

The curlew cries  
I heard the sound  
The curlew cries  
She went down over  
there TV personalities to see and hear

The king brown snake  
I heard the sound  
The king brown snake  
She went down over  
there

The wedgetail eagle  
I heard the sound  
The wedgetail eagle  
He went down over  
there

Wayayi kuwayijimi... (echo)  
Ngimpi-pirtangaya... (echo)  
Wayayi kuwayijimi... (echo)  
Ampapi-rraya awungarruwu... (echo)

The curlew cries  
I heard the sound  
The curlew cries  
She went down over  
there

#### 18. SIKBALA

I. R. Williams

**(Kriol\* Lyrics)**

Main baba bin go la hospil  
Ibin jidan jeya longtaim,  
bobala  
Nobodi bin bisit la im  
Ibin kraibla im femili,  
bobala

Sikbala, bobala main baba  
Sikbala, bobala main baba  
Sikbala, bobala main baba  
Ibin kraibla im femili,  
bobala

**(English Translation)**

*My little bro./sis. went to hospital*  
*S/he stayed there for a long time*  
*poor thing*  
*Nobody came to visit her/him*  
*S/he cried for his/her family*  
*poor thing*

*My poor little sick sibling*  
*My poor little sick sibling*  
*My poor little sick sibling*  
*S/he cried for his/her family*  
*poor thing*

\* Ngukurr-Bamyili Kriol as spoken at Ngukurr and Barunga  
in the Northern Territory

## 19. JUSTINE

*I. R. Williams*

Justine, Justine where have you been?  
Down video alley you were seen  
Beatin' all the boys on the video machines  
Justine, Justine, Justine

***Tryin' to hold on to what little you've got  
They reckon you're white but you know you're not  
What do you want, what do you need?  
Keep lookin' for that stolen dream***

Justine, Justine where have you been?  
Hangin' down the co-op you were seen  
Walls and posters and a printing screen  
Justine, Justine, Justine

Justine, Justine where have you been?  
Makin' trouble for the teachers you were seen  
Too smart to stay at school, too smart to leave  
Justine, Justine, Justine

Justine, Justine what will you find?  
Shining eyes and heart and mind  
This city life can turn you blind  
Justine, Justine, Justine

## 20. IT'S ONLY MAKE-BELIEVE

*I. R. Williams*

I close my eyes and look inside  
To find a way I can explain  
That what I do, and what I say  
You know it's really just a game  
I wonder if you know by now  
It's only make-believe

You saw the way I hold the moon  
You saw the way I touch the sky  
And tunnel through the fiery heart  
To find the crystal's shining light  
I wonder if you know by now  
It's only make-believe

I'll take you on a magic trip  
And all you see is yours to keep  
And tell you things to fill your heart  
And every day will be complete  
I wonder if you know by now  
It's only make-believe  
I wonder if you know by now  
It's only make-believe

## 21. A SONG THAT IS SUNG

*I. R. Williams*

The planet we live on that we say is ours  
Has millions of people to house  
For everything living there's food to be found  
In the air, the water and ground

***There's a song that is sung  
Through the night and the day  
A song sung by everyone in their own way  
A melody living, a tune that we breathe  
A rhythm in all that we see***

The watery worlds of the rivers and seas  
Of oceans and droplets of rain  
Are born in the sky, in the clouds up above  
Will fall, but will come back again

The tiniest creature, the smallest of things  
A time and a place to begin  
A piece of the puzzle, a part to be played  
To live and to share and to sing

### Coda:

The Earth she is bleeding  
And all under the sun  
Must know that in the end  
We are One

## 22. CIGARETTE SUCKER

*I. R. Williams*

Hang a smoke in your mouth, now you think you're real big  
But it just makes you look like a bubbly little kid  
Play School attitude – dress up like a nurse  
Fireman, cowboy, boots and purse  
You're not a smoker - cigarette does that  
You're just the sucker... Sucker! Ah ah...

***My body ain't no ashtray, I've got my self respect  
And I don't need to suck my thumb, don't need no cigarette  
My body ain't no ashtray, I've got my self respect  
And I don't need to suck my thumb, don't need no cigarette***

Big company man sucked you in  
Take your money, chuck you in the bin  
How to get rich? Just trick the dumb kids  
Get them hooked, make a quick quid  
Give 'em all your money, send it up in smoke  
Chuck it away... Sucker! Ah ah...

If you're a sucker well the future ain't good  
Better listen up, yeah I think you should  
Might take a few years but up ahead  
You're better off well than dying or dead  
The story goes on for the whole of your life  
Get sick! You stink!... Sucker! Ah ah...

Well it's you who decides, you make the choice  
Do you follow your own or someone else's voice?  
Really in your heart, do you wanna be a sucker?  
Tell you no-one's gonna make me suck that kakka\*  
No-one's gonna make me suck that kakka  
That's what it is... Sucker! Ah ah...

*\*Kakka = poo*

## 23. ULURU & ALICE

*I. R. Williams*

I live out on the sideline; my home is by the shore  
One day for adventure I'll go inland to explore  
I'll journey to the centre where the land is deepest red  
Search for ancient footprints by some dusty, dry creek bed

***Uluru and Alice – I often hear your names  
And I can feel your heartbeat - the mystery remains  
Still beneath the endless sky, my arms are open wide  
Uluru and Alice in my country's shame and pride***

There's a woman went to prison 'though she did nothing wrong  
Her little baby disappeared one evening dark and long  
"The dingo's got my baby!" she screamed into the night  
The jury found her guilty, oh, but what she said was right

And back in 1928 like many times before  
A black man killed a white man for breaking tribal law  
Revenge was swift and savage – policemen, horses, guns  
Black women, men and children soon lay dying in the sun

There's two laws in my country now, on one thing they agree:  
On who's the rightful owners of the sacred rock we see  
And generous of spirit now the owners share like friends  
A giant rock – the symbol of a future journey's end

## 25. HEY YUFLA FUNNY FACE

*I. R. Williams*

Hey y  
Nomo  
Nomore mark\* me... (*echo*)

*\*\*"mark" = copy*