Swinging on a Star
By Jimmy Van Heusen & Johnny Burke, 1944

Would you like to swing on a star——, Carry moon-beams home in a jar——

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And be bet-ter off than you are——?   Or would you rather be a Mule?

A mule is an ani-mal with long fun-ny ears.   He kicks up at any-thing he hears.

His back is brawny but his brain is weak.   He's just plain stupid with a stub-born streak, and by the way, if you hate to go to school, You may grow up to be a mule.

Would you like to swing on a star——, Carry moon-beams home in a jar——

And be bet-ter off than you are——?   Or would you rather be a Pig?

A pig is an ani-mal with dirt on his face— His shoes are a terri-ble dis-grace.

He has no manners when he eats his food.   He's fat and lazy and ex-treme-ly rude, but if you Don't care a feather or a fig, You may grow up to be a pig.

Would you like to swing on a star——, Carry moon-beams home in a jar——

And be bet-ter off than you are——?   Or would you rather be a fish?

A fish won't do any-thing but swim in a brook.   He can't write his name or read a book.

To fool the people is his on-ly thought, and though he's slippery, he still gets caught, but then if That sort of life is what you wish, You may grow up to be a fish.

And all the mon-keys aren't in the zoo—— Every day you meet quite a few——

So, you see, it's all up to you—— You can be better than you are——

You could be swingin' on a star!

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