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

E7  A7  D7  G  C  Em7  D  Am7  Gdim7

Would you like to swing on a star, Carry moon-beams home in a jar,
And be better off than you are? Or would you rather be a mule?

A mule is an animal with long funny ears. He kicks up at anything he hears.
His back is brawny but his brain is weak. He's just plain stupid with a stubbon streak, and by the
Way, if you hate to go to school, You may grow up to be a mule.

Or would you like to swing on a star, Carry moon-beams home in a jar,
And be better off than you are? Or would you rather be a pig?

A pig is an animal with dirt on his face. His shoes are a terrible disgrace.
He has no manners when he eats his food. He's fat and lazy and extreme rude, but if you
Don't care a feather or a fig, You may grow up to be a pig.

Or would you like to swing on a star, Carry moon-beams home in a jar,
And be better off than you are? Or would you rather be a fish?

A fish won't do anything but swim in a brook. He can't write his name or read a book.
To fool the people is his only 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 monkeys aren't in the zoo-oo-oo  Every day you meet quite a few.

So, you see, it's all up to yo---o---o---ou. You can be better than you a--a--a--are.

You could be swingin' on a star!

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