

## The Owl and the Pussycat

Lyrics: Edward Lear (PD)

Music: Farewell Sweet Lovely Nancy (Trad)

The words here are as Lear wrote them, not as I (and Oak, Ash, and Thorn) sing them.  
Leave off the repeats (i.e., “You are./You are...”). I can sing this in A if it works better.

G
C
G  
 The Owl and the Pussy-cat went to sea  
D7
G  
 In a beautiful pea green boat,  
C
G  
 They took some honey, and plenty of money,  
D7
G  
 Wrapped up in a five pound note.  
C
G
C
G
C  
 The Owl looked up to the stars above,  
G
C
G
D7  
 And sang to a small guitar,  
G
C
G  
 'O lovely Pussy! O Pussy my love,  
D7
G  
 What a beautiful Pussy you are,  
*You are,*  
*You are!*  
*What a beautiful Pussy you are!'*  
  
 Pussy said to the Owl, 'You elegant fowl!  
 How charmingly sweet you sing!  
 O let us be married! too long we have tarried:  
 But what shall we do for a ring?'  
 They sailed away, for a year and a day,  
 To the land where the Bong-tree grows  
 And there in a wood a Piggy-wig stood  
 With a ring at the end of his nose,  
*His nose,*  
*His nose,*  
*With a ring at the end of his nose.*  
  
 'Dear pig, are you willing to sell for one shilling  
 Your ring?' Said the Piggy, 'I will.'  
 So they took it away, and were married next day  
 By the Turkey who lives on the hill.  
 They dined on mince, and slices of quince,  
 Which they ate with a runcible spoon;  
 And hand in hand, on the edge of the sand,  
 They danced by the light of the moon,  
*The moon,*  
*The moon,*  
*They danced by the light of the moon.*