Firefly
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Firefly, Firefly! Come down! Come down! Like eyes that wink! Come and Blink! In the dark!
Firefly! Firefly! Come down! Come down! Sun will rise, Morning too will come
Come to tell Don’t fear the dark! Firefly! Firefly! Come down! Come down!
Come and Console all
Covered by darkness With eyes lost & crying
Firefly! Firely! Come down!
Come down!
Like an Imp!
Come & Tease The Darkness Witch!
Firefly! Firefly! Come down!
Come down!
Tease & Tease! Make dizzy & dizzy!
Pull down the elephant Just like a Termite!
Firefly! Firefly! Come down!
Come down!
With the Sun The golden gates Slowly, Gently Come & Open!

Firefly! Firefly! Come down! Come down!
Firefly! Firefly! Come down!
Come down! Firefly! Firefly!
Come down! Come down!
About the Author Durga Lal Shrestha is a famous poet of Nepal Bhasa and Nepali. As a teacher of Nepal Bhasa at Kanya Mandir Higher Secondary School in the 1950s to 70s, he created songs to inspire children to express themselves in their mother tongue. His songs became widely known throughout the Kathmandu Valley and collections of his children’s songs
have been through over thirteen reprints and are still circulated today.
About the Illustrator
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