The Rainforest Grew All Around, Susan K. Mitchell

On the Ground,  
There fell a seed …  
The fluffiest seed  
That you ever did see,  

The seed in the ground,  
And the rainforest grew all around, all around,  
And, the rainforest grew all around.  

And, from the seed,  
There grew a tree,  
The tallest Tree  
That you ever did see,  

The tree from the seed, and the seed in the ground,  
And the rainforest grew all around, all around,  
And, the rainforest grew all around.  

And, in the tree,  
There lay a cat,  
The spottiest cat  
That you ever did see,  

The cat in the tree, and the tree from the seed, and the seed in the ground,  
And the rainforest grew all around, all around,  
And, the rainforest grew all around.  

And, near the cat,  
There was a vine,  
The curliest vine  
That you ever did see,  

The vine near the cat, and the cat in the tree, and the tree from the seed, and the seed in the ground,  
And the rainforest grew all around, all around,  
And, the rainforest grew all around.
And, near the sloth,
There was a plant,
The prettiest plant
That you ever did see,

The plant by the sloth, and the sloth near the ant, and the ant by the snake, and the snake by the vine, and the vine near the cat, and the cat in the tree, and the tree from the seed, and the seed in the ground,

And the rainforest grew all around, all around,
And, the rainforest grew all around.

And, in the plant,
There was a frog,
The brightest frog
That you ever did see,

The frog in the plant, and the plant by the sloth, and the sloth near the ant, and the ant by the snake, and the snake by the vine, and the vine near the cat, and the cat in the tree, and the tree from the seed, and the seed in the ground,

And the rainforest grew all around, all around,
And, the rainforest grew all around.

And, by the frog,
There was a bird,
The funniest bird
That you ever did see,

The bird by the frog, and the frog in the plant, and the plant by the sloth, and the sloth near the ant, and the ant by the snake, and the snake by the vine, and the vine near the cat, and the cat in the tree, and the tree from the seed, and the seed in the ground,

And the rainforest grew all around, all around,
And, the rainforest grew all around.

And, near the bird,
There was a bat,
The sleepiest bat
That you ever did see,

The bat near the bird, and the bird by the frog, and the frog in the plant, and the plant by the sloth, and the sloth near the ant, and the ant by the snake, and the snake by the vine, and the vine near the cat, and the cat in the tree, and the tree from the seed, and the seed in the ground,

And the rainforest grew all around, all around,
And, the rainforest grew all around.

And, by the bat,
There was a pod,
The highest pod
That you ever did see,

The pod by the bat and the bat near the bird, and the bird by the frog, and the frog in the plant, and the plant by the sloth, and the sloth near the ant, and the ant by the snake, and the snake by the vine, and the vine near the cat, and the cat in the tree, and the tree from the seed, and the seed in the ground,

And the rainforest grew all around, all around,
And, the rainforest grew all around.

And, from the pod,
There blew a seed,
The fluffiest seed
That you ever did see,

The seed from the pod, and the pod by the bat and the bat near the bird, and the bird by the frog, and the frog in the plant, and the plant by the sloth, and the sloth near the ant, and the ant by the snake, and the snake by the vine, and the vine near the cat, and the cat in the tree, and the tree from the seed, and the seed in the ground,

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And, the rainforest grew all around.
Rooster’s Off to See the World, by Eric Carle
Adapted by Debora Escalante

Rooster, he is strutting,
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He’s off to see the world!

Animals are traveling,
They’re off to see the world!

Story transition

Rooster, he is strutting,
Two Kitten’s, they are skipping,
Let’s Count – 1, 2, 3,
Animals are traveling,
They’re off to see the world!

Rooster, he is strutting,
Two Kitten’s, they are skipping,
Three Frogs, they are jumping,
Let’s Count – 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10,
Animals are traveling,
They’re off to see the world!

Story transition

Rooster, he is strutting,
Two Kitten’s, they are skipping,
Three Frogs, they are jumping,
Four Turtles, they are plodding,
Let’s Count – 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15,
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They’re off to see the world!

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