# Swinging On A Star

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**< NOTE THE SWINGIN’ SLIDES AT THE END OF EACH CHORUS! >**

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**INSTRUMENTAL INTRO: / 1 2 3 4 / 1 2 3**

Would you **[E7]** like to swing on a **[A7]** star

Carry **[D7]** moonbeams home in a **[G]** jar

And be **[E7]** better off than you **[A7]** are

**[D7]** Or would you rather be a **[G]↓**mule? **[Gb]↓[G]**

**CHORUS:**

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**[D7]↓** Or would you rather be a **[G]↓** mule? **[Gb]↓[G]**

A **[G]** mule is an **[C]** animal with **[G]** long funny **[C]** ears

He **[G]** kicks up at **[C]** anything he **[G]** hears

His **[A7]** back is brawny but his **[D]** brain is weak

He's **[A7]** just plain stupid with a **[D7]** stubborn streak

And by the **[G]** way if you **[C]** hate to go to **[G]** school **[E7]**

**[A7]** You may grow **[D7]** up to be a **[G]** mule

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And be **[E7]** better off than you **[A7]** are

**[D7]↓** Or would you rather be a **[G]↓** pig? **[Gb]↓[G]**

A **[G]** pig is an **[C]** animal with **[G]** dirt on his **[C]** face

His **[G]** shoes are a **[C]** terrible dis-**[G]**grace

He **[A7]** has no manners when he **[D]** eats his food

He's **[A7]** fat and lazy and ex-**[D7]**tremely rude

But if you **[G]** don't care a **[C]** feather or a **[G]** fig **[E7]**

**[A7]** You may grow **[D7]** up to be a **[G]** pig

**CHORUS:**

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And be **[E7]** better off than you **[A7]** are

**[D7]↓** Or would you rather be a **[G]↓** fish? **[Gb]↓[G]**

A **[G]** fish won't do **[C]** anything but **[G]** swim in a **[C]** brook

He **[G]** can't write his **[C]** name or read a **[G]** book

To **[A7]** fool the people is his **[D]** only thought

And **[A7]** though he's slippery he **[D7]** still gets caught

But then if **[G]** that sort of **[C]** life is what you **[G]** wish **[E7]**

**[A7]** You may grow **[D7]** up to be a **[G]** fish

**CHORUS:**

And all the **[E7]** monkeys aren't in the **[A7]** zoo

Every-**[D7]**day you see quite a **[G]** few

So you **[E7]** see it's all up to **[A7]** you

**[D7]** You can be better than you **[E7]** are

**[A7]** You can be **[D7]** swinging on a **[G]↓** star **[Gb]↓[G]↓**

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