

SPARROW TREE SQUARE



Nighttime

Twilight, a timid *fawn*,
went *glimmering* by,
And *Night*, the dark-blue
hunter, followed *fast*.

– George William “A. E.” Russell, Irish writer

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Summer Stars

Carl Sandburg

Bend low again, night of summer stars.	1
So near you are, sky of summer stars,	2
So near, a long-arm man can pick off stars,	3
Pick off what he wants in the sky bowl,	4
So near you are, summer stars,	5
So near, strumming, strumming,	6
So lazy and hum-strumming.	7

CARL SANDBURG (1878—1967) was an American writer. He won the Pulitzer Prize, a prestigious literary award, three times, and was known by young readers as the author of the *Rootabaga Stories* books.



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