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(TO *TWINKLE, TWINKLE, LITTLE STAR*)

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Wrinkle, crinkle, my cortex,  
all those folds make thought complex  
Sulci fall, and gyri rise,  
space for cells that make us wise

Wrinkle, crinkle, my cortex,  
all those folds make thought complex.

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(TO *ROCK-A-BYE BABY*)

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Fire, my neurons,  
all in a row  
One cell to another  
the message will grow

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(TO *ITSY BITSTY SPIDER*)

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The Blood Brain Barrier  
Keeps

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(TO A TISKET, A TASKET)

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A skill, a habit  
All learned as if by magic  
Rehearsed at night, 'til morning light  
Improvement just by sleeping  
By sleeping, By sleeping  
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Implicit types, enhanced by night  
Sleep leads to their safe-keeping

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(TO YANKEE DOODLE DANDY)

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Knee Jerk Reflex makes me kick  
Oh, I cannot control it  
tap a mallet on my knee  
and watch my leg jump forward  
“Knee Jerk