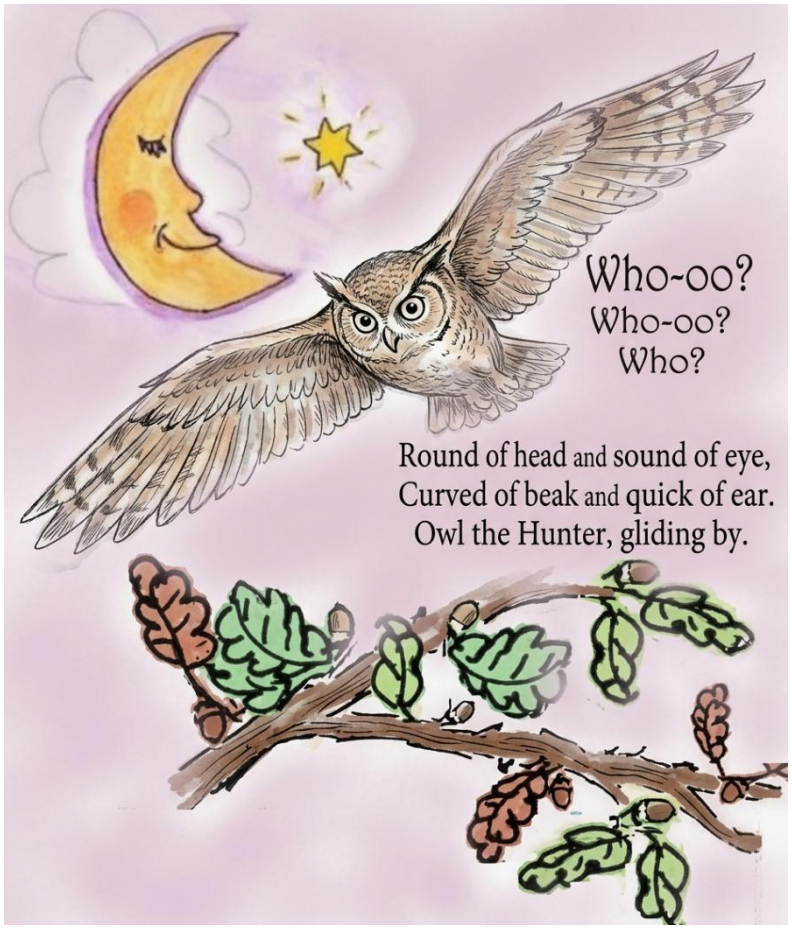
Silent wings

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A mysterious poem by Hilda I. Rostron.
'Silent Wings' featured in the Seeing and Doing ITV schools television series and subsequently published in the accompanying anthology book in 1982.
Verse *1.* *Hold hands together, palms down, with thumbs linked. Gently move the fingers like wings. Trace a circle in the air with both forefingers, then make thumb-and-finger circles for the owl's eyes, holding them in front of the face.Link thumbs again and glide the hands slowly from one side to the other.*
Verse 2 *Repeat the linked-thumb wings. Curve one forefinger downwards to suggest a hooked beak, then cup hands behind the ears. Bring the linked hands slowly towards the chest, gently fluttering the fingers.*
Verse 3 *Repeat the linked-thumb wings. Make the owl-eye circles again and hold them still. Link thumbs and sweep the hands slowly to one side, finishing with the fingers still.*



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Enhanced by AI from an owl picture of mine

Who sails by on silent wings,
Round of head and sound of eye? __
Strange and ghostly he goes by.

Who sails by on silent wings,
Curved of beak and quick of ear? __
Softly, softly he draws near.

Who sails by on silent wings?
Owl the Hunter, sharp of eye;
He it is goes gliding by.