

There was a young lady...

Who swallowed a lie.
I don't know why
She swallowed the lie.
Perhaps she'll die.

There was a young lady
Who married a guy
Who stood a good chance
Of promotion—real high!
She married the guy
To chase the lie.
I don't know why
She swallowed the lie.
Perhaps she'll die.

There was a young lady
Who wanted a mansion
With a glorious view
And with room for expansion.
She wanted a mansion
For her and her guy.
She married the guy
To chase the lie.
I don't know why
She swallowed the lie.
Perhaps she'll die.

There was a young lady
Who purchased the best
To feather their nest
And keep up with "the rest."
She purchased the best
To go into her mansion.
She wanted the mansion
For her and her guy.
She married the guy
To chase the lie.
I don't know why
She swallowed the lie.
Perhaps she'll die.

There was a young lady
Who had everything,
Two boats, heated pool and
A 10-diamond ring.
She had everything
And she purchased the best.
She purchased the best
To go into her mansion.
She wanted the mansion
For her and her guy.

She married the guy
To chase the lie.
I don't know why
She swallowed the lie.
Perhaps she'll die.

There was a young lady
Who became very bored,
And minus her hubby,
She traveled abroad.
She got very bored,
Though she had everything.
She had everything
And she purchased the best.
She purchased the best
To go into her mansion.
She wanted the mansion
For her and her guy.
She married the guy
To chase the lie.
I don't know why
She swallowed the lie.
Perhaps she'll die.

There was a young lady
Who had an affair.
Although he was younger,
They made quite a pair.
She had an affair
Because she was bored.
She got very bored,
Though she had everything.
She had everything
And she purchased the best.
She purchased the best
To go into her mansion.
She wanted the mansion
For her and her guy.
She married the guy
To chase the lie.
I don't know why
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There was a young lady
Who didn't have time
For God and for others
(And this bit won't rhyme).
She didn't have time,
But she had an affair.
She had an affair
Because she was bored.
She got very bored,
Though she had everything.
She had everything
And she purchased the best.
She purchased the best
To go into the mansion.
She wanted the mansion
For her and her guy.
She married the guy
To chase the lie.

I don't know why
She swallowed the lie.
Perhaps she'll die.

There was a young lady
Who grew very old.
Her lights had gone out
And her heart had grown cold.
She grew very old—
Still she didn't have time.
She didn't have time,
But she had an affair.
She had an affair
Because she was bored.
She got very bored
Though she had everything.
She had everything
And she purchased the best.
She purchased the best
To go into her mansion.
She wanted the mansion
For her and her guy.
She married the guy
To chase the lie.
I don't know why
She swallowed the lie.
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There was an old lady
Who ordered a coffin.
She sat all alone,
And she stared at it often.
She ordered a coffin
When she grew very old.
She grew very old—
Still she didn't have time.
She didn't have time,
But she had an affair.
She had an affair
Because she was bored.
She got very bored,
Though she had everything.
She had everything
And she purchased the best.
She purchased the best
To go into her mansion.
She wanted the mansion
For her and her guy.
She married the guy
To chase the lie.
I don't know why
She swallowed the lie.
Perhaps she'll die.

There was an old lady
Who fell down and died.
But in those last moments
She
Knew
That
They'd
Lied!

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