

## The Owl Is Abroad

Text by *Ben Jonson* (1572-1637)

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**The owl is abroad, the bat and the toad,**  
[ðɪ a:ʊl ɪz ə.'brɑd ðʌ bæʔ ænd ðʌ to:ʊd]

And so is the cat-a-mountain;  
The ant and the mole sit both in a hole,  
And frog peeps out o' (of) the fountain.

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