Ollie the Ostrich

Music by Jon Cook, lyrics by Lynn Beckwith

Verse 1

My name is Ollie Ostrich and my head is very high, If I run you'll never catch me but you'll never see me fly. You see my only problem is I can't get off the ground, My body is quite bendy and my feathers not too sound!

Verse 2

My name is Ollie Ostrich and my legs are very long, They may seem very skinny but they really are quite strong. To race me would be foolish as I'm very, very fast, You'll never ever beat me – you will always finish last.

Verse 3

My name is Ollie Ostrich and I'm really very tall, I can look down my nose at you because you're only small. You could stand upon a ladder or climb upon a tree, But if you stay upon the ground, then you won't see over me!

Verse 4

My name is Ollie Ostrich and my eyes are very large, I can see the lion coming and I see him start to charge. I will kick him with my long legs and make him stop and stare, Do you think he'll have another go? I don't think he'll dare!

Verse 5

My name is Ollie Ostrich and my song is nearly done, As you know I cannot fly but my how can I run! My eyesight is incredible, my hearing is the best, I really am the biggest bird so you should be impressed.

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