Well Edward was having a wonderful day, Till a man in the crowd had the gumption to say, "The lion's a beast I shall always detest, The snakes are the things that I like to see best."



The next morning at nine when they opened the zoo, The snakes were all hissing, and Edward was too, He slipped round the rocks, it was magic to see, Then he curled himself casually up round a tree.



Well Edward was just warming up for the day, When he overheard one of the visitors say,

"The snakes are impressive, I know that it's true, But the emu's by far the best thing at the zoo."

"The emu!" gasped Edward, "My goodness that's me! I'm the thing that that gentleman most likes to see! Not the seals, the lions, the snakes and the rest, It's Edward the emu he likes to see best!" So that night when the zookeeper went home to bed, Edward slipped from the cage and he laughed as he said, "If the emu's the best, then that's easy then, Tomorrow I'm Edward the emu again!" Edward ran to the place where he used to reside, But oh what a shock when he clambered inside!

He found himself suddenly come face to face, With the emu they'd brought in to take Edward's place! The emus considered each other a while, 
Then the new emu said, with a shy little smile,
"Hello, I'm Edwina, it's nice meeting you,
You're the best thing I've seen since I came to the zoo!"



Edward the emu was sick of the zoo, There was nowhere to go, there was nothing to do, And compared to the seals that lived right next door, Well being an emu was frankly a bore.

of his life as an emu, Edward decides to try being something else for a change. He imming with the seals. He spends a day lounging with the lions. He even does a stint ag with the snakes.

Edward soon discovers that being an emu may be the best thing after all. And so he to his pen, only to find a big surprise awaiting him. . . .

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