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THE OWL

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It's a popular assumption that the owl is very wise,
And knows much more than other creatures do.
Though this supposed know-all bird looks constantly surprised -
Who am I to say it isn't true.
I wondered if he'd care to share his knowledge,
So I asked him if he'd grant an interview ...

"Mr Owl, you've got this reputation
For cleverness, intelligence and guile.
I'd appreciate your participation -
Communicate with me for just a while."
But when I asked Mr Owl what he was thinking,
He stared at me as owls will sometimes do.
And as he turned away,
The owl was heard to say,
"To how, to when, to what, to whit, to woo."

Well even though his answer sounded clever, yeh,
What it meant I really couldn't see.
As politely as I could I asked him whether
He could possibly elaborate for me.
And as I asked another deep and probing question,
He closed one eye and carefully and thought it through.
And though I'd hoped for more,
He answered as before -
"To how, to when, to what, to whit, to woo."

And now, I've got this reputation
For cleverness, intelligence and guile.
Whenever people ask me what I'm thinking,
I stare at them politely and I smile.
And when I'm asked the inevitable question,
"What did the owl *really* say to you?"
Well I simply wink one eye, and I give the same reply -
"To how, to when, to what, to whit, to woo."
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To whit, to woo."