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I Saw Happiness

In the morning I woke up
I Had my tea
I Got ready
And opened the door
To go out for a walk
I saw a bird on a branch
In the tree beside the gate
I could feel the happiness
In the note he sang
It chirped in a blissful tone
tweet..! tweet!

I felt so thrilled to hear
The melody filled with cheer
"I think you are so happy?"
I asked the feathered fellow.
Tweet twoo…! Tweet twoo…!
The little chap sang along ..
I was amazed at the ecstasy
With which he sang
I opened the gate
And walked along the street
In search of more of such
Happy notes and I
headed into the busy street.
But all I could see
Was the cacophony
Of rush and clutter
And clinking sound of coins.