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And then I could do anything.

If only I were King of Spain,  
I'd take my hat off in the rain.

If only I were King of France, 5  
I wouldn't brush my hair for aunts.

I think, if I were King of Greece,  
I'd push things off the mantelpiece

If I were King of Norrøway, 10  
I'd ask an elephant to stay.

If I were King of Babylon,  
I'd leave my button gloves undone.

If I were King of Timbuctoo,  
I'd think of lovely things to do.

If I were King of anything, 15  
I'd tell the soldiers, "I'm the King!"

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