

Mister Fibonacci

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Leonardo Fibonacci was an Italian mathematician
He was fueled by love of numbers and a burning ambition
He recognized patterns that others could not see
And after an espresso or two he set his ideas free
He added and subtracted he walked on the beach
Until the Fibonacci sequence lay within reach

Mister Fibonacci he could never tell a lie
He loved to play with numbers always wondering why
Certain numbers lined up the way that they do
There's got to be a pattern here not just out of the blue
So while some of his colleagues sat on the fence
Mister Fibonacci came up with his sequence

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The Fibonacci sequence it starts with the number 1
Though this does seem rather obvious and not particularly fun
But then comes the kicker the next number's also 1
Maybe Fibonacci spent too much time in the sun?
But no! He had the whole concept beyond a shadow of a doubt
Just follow the sequence and you too will figure it out

You start with the number 1, the next number is also one
After that each number in the sequence is the sum
Of the two numbers before it and now you have it
go with the Fibonacci flow my friend and pick up this habit

Like the spiral found in a tiny shell
Like the seeds in a sunflower, it's nature's show and tell
Nature and numbers were his work and his play
So trust old Fibonacci and spiral away ...

Now you may think this sequence is a kind of a curse
Between you and Fibonacci I think he had it worse
Think of Pascal, Pythagorus, Archimedes, Sir Isaac Newton
Then count all your blessings and write another verse