14. When I Grow Up
(Tall and Smart and Strong and Brave)

When I grow up,  
I will be tall enough to reach the branches

That I need to reach to climb the trees you get to climb when you're grown up.

and When I grow up,  
I will be smart enough to answer all the questions that you need to know the answers to before you're grown up.
and When I grow up I will eat sweets ev'ry day On the way to work and I will go to bed late ev'ry night And I will wake up When the sun comes up and I will watch cartoons until my eyes go square And I won't care cos I'll be all grown up When I grow

4 kids thus far

Lavender, Nigel, Eric

toons un-till my eyes go square And I won't care cos I'll be all grown up

Hortensia, Reginald

toons un-till my eyes go square And I won't care cos I'll be all grown up

Amanda, Alice, Tommy

toons un-till my eyes go square And I won't care cos I'll be all grown up

Gm7 C A/C© Dm Dm7/C

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When I grow up,

I will be strong enough
to carry all the heavy things you have to haul around when you're a grown up.

Lavender, Alice
Nigel, Eric, Tommy

Amanda, Hortensia
Reginald
and When I grow up,
I will be
When I grow up,
I will be
When I grow up,
I will be
brave enough
to fight the creatures
That you have to fight beneath the bed each night to be a grown-up.
and When I grow up, __________ I will have
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Hortensia, Reginald

and When I grow up, __________ I will have
Bb('2)

Amanda, Alice, Tommy

and When I grow up, __________ I will have

And I’ll play with things that Mum Pretends that

And I’ll play with things that Mum Pretends that

sim.

Lavender, Nigel, Eric

and When I grow up, __________ I will have
Gm7

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mums don't think are fun. And I will wake up When the sun comes up and I will spend all day just lying in the sun And
I won't burn cos I'll be all grown up.

When I grow up.
When I grow up, I will be brave enough to fight the creatures.

A bit more relaxed ("Naughty" tempo)

That you have to fight beneath the bed each night to be a grown-up.

Just because you find that life's not fair, it doesn't mean that you just have to grin and bear it.
When I grow up

If you al-ways take it on the chin and wear it, Noth-ing will change.

Just be-cause I find my-self in this sto-ry, does-n’t mean that ev-’ry-thing is writ-ten for me.

If I think the end-ing is fixed al-read-y, I might as well be say-ing I think that it’s O-K and that’s not right.