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There was a bird, not long ago,
Whose favourite word was No! No! No!

"**No!**" he said to brushing hair,
"**No!**" to coats he wouldn't wear.

So many times he said this word,
That soon his name was **No-No Bird**.

Well, No-No Bird went out one day,
Proudly walking on his way.

Soon, he met a little mouse
Who ran out from her little house.

"Who are you?" she said. "Do stay,
Would you like to come and play?"

But No-No Bird just shook his head.
"No! No! No!" he loudly said.

"Silly Mouse! Have you not heard?
I'm the famous No-No Bird!"

At that, the Mouse began to cry!
"You're very rude," she sniffed, "GOODBYE."