

# Sesame Street, Let's Call The Whole Thing Small

Luis: What a little painting! It's very tiny.

Maria: It's not tiny. It's itsy bitsy.

(They exchange a scornful glare and move on to a very large painting.)

Maria: Look at that enormous painting! It's humongous!

Luis: Well, \*I\* would say it's tremendous; I might even call it stupendous.

Maria: You would ...

(They move to another painting.)

Luis: Now that is a great painting. It's absolutely fantastic!

Maria: No it's not! It's terrific! (getting angry)

Luis: Fantastic!

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(The music starts, and various Sesame Street people who are 'in' paintings, begin to sing.)

Gordon: Can't you see that you both agree?  
What's the reason for this spat?

Susan: You like to say things this way.  
And you like to say things that.

Telly: What a shame; it all means the same.  
There's no need to make a scene.

Elmo: There are lots of way to say the very same thing,  
If you know what I mean.

Maria: You say little; I say itsy.

Luis: You say tiny; I say bitsy.  
Little, tiny ...

Maria: .. Itsy, bitsy.

Together: Let's call the whole thing small!

Luis: You say enormous; I say tremendous.

Maria: I say humongous, you say stupendous.  
Enormous, humongous ...

Luis: ... tremendous, stupendous.

Together: Let's call the whole thing big!

Bob (dressed as Atlas holding a globe): A ball can be a circle, or a globe or other sphere.  
They're all ways of saying what I'm holding here.

Maria: I say fantastic, you say terrific.

Luis: But when you say fantastic, to me sounds terrific.

Together: For we see how we agree now ...

Maria: .. Whatever we call it's OK.

Luis: Let's say we call it a day!