

“The Dendrite Song”

Tune: Clementine

Use your dendrites,
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To connect throughout your brain
Take in info, analyze it,
Grow some new ones
Unrestrained

Axons send out
Neurotransmitters
To the dendrites all around
Across the synapse
Jumps the impulse
New ideas can now abound.

Stimulation
Is what the brain needs
To make dendrites stretch and grow
New connections
Make us smarter
In what we think and what we know

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