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## The Failing of the Cheese

A hungry old cat (Siamese)  
tried to draw out a mouse with some cheese.  
But his scheming was built on  
her fondness for Stilton  
when, sadly, it just made her sneeze.

But the sly cat would not be dissuaded,  
and probably thought that he'd made it  
when he chose to cajole her  
with fresh Gorgonzola . . .  
but the thing is, she so *rarely* ate it.

His confidence shaken, near shot dead,  
he thought of some words that Pol Pot said,  
and he almost *did* best her  
with a slice of Red Leicester,  
but history judged he was not fed.

So the cat sat, so thin and impatient,  
but then. . . bittersweet jubilation!  
He was filled up with bliss, 'cause  
he tracked down his Whiskas  
while the dear mouse dropped dead of starvation.