

## **Dr. Edmund Schulman and the Bristlecone Pine**

Since time unknown the bristlecones have kept themselves alive  
Way up in the mountains of the west  
(Except for clones) these oldest living organisms thrive  
Extremely harsh conditions suit them best

Just below the treeline                      stand the groves of bristlecone pine  
Just below the treeline                      twistin' in the blue of the sky

Dr. Edmund Schulman studied climate over time  
He found the bristlecone pine in '53  
The dendrochronologists counted rings oh so sublime  
They spoke in awe of these most ancient trees

### CHORUS

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Gonna put them to the test                      and there may be no niche left

### WHISLTE VERSE

### BREAKDOWN VERSE

Schulman and his colleagues made a time line of the past  
Sharing with the world their treasure trove  
But Schulman was cut down in his prime by a heart attack  
The U.S. forest service named his grove                      for him

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