

Before I Was A Mom



Before I was a Mom
I made and ate hot meals.
I had unstained clothing.
I had quiet conversations on the phone.

I never looked into teary eyes and cried.
I never got gloriously happy over a simple grin.
I never sat up late hours at night
Watching a baby sleep.



Before I was a Mom
I slept as late as I wanted
And never worried about how late I got
into bed.
I brushed my hair and my teeth everyday.

Before I was a Mom
I never held sleeping babies just because I
didn't want to put them down.
I never felt my heart break into a million
pieces when I couldn't stop the hurt.



Before I was a Mom
I cleaned my house each day.
I never tripped over toys or forgot words
to lullabies.

I never knew that something so small could
affect my life so much.
I never knew that I could love someone so
much.
I never knew I would love being a Mom.



Before I was a Mom
I didn't worry whether or not my plants
were poisonous.
I never thought about immunizations.

Before I was a Mom
I didn't know the feeling of having my heart
outside my body.
I didn't know how special it could feel to
feed a hungry baby.
I didn't know that bond between a mother
and her child.
I didn't know that something so small could
make me feel so important.



Before I was a Mom
I had never been puked on
Pooped on
Spit on
Chewed on
Peed on
Or pinched by tiny fingers.

Before I was a Mom I had never gotten up in
the middle of the night.
Every 10 minutes to make sure all was okay.
I never had known the warmth
The joy
The love
The heartache
The wonderment
Or the satisfaction of being a Mom.



Before I was a Mom
I had complete control of my mind
My thoughts
My body
And my mind.
I slept all night.



Before I was a Mom
I never held down a screaming child
So that doctors could do tests
Or give shots.

I didn't know I was capable of feeling so
much before I was a Mom.