



## Somebody Said

Somebody said it takes about six weeks to get back to normal after you've had a baby,  
Somebody doesn't know that once you're a mother, normal is history.

Somebody said you learn how to be a mother by instinct.  
Somebody never took a three-year-old shopping.

Somebody said being a mother is boring. Somebody never rode in a  
car driven by a teenager with a driver's permit.

Somebody said if you're a "good" mother, your child will "turn out good."  
Somebody thinks a child comes with directions and a guarantee.

Somebody said "good" mothers never raise their voices.  
Somebody never came out the back door just in time to see her child  
hit a golf ball through the neighbor's kitchen window.

Somebody said you don't need an education to be a mother.  
Somebody never helped a fourth grader with his math.

Somebody said you can't love the fifth child as much as you love the first.  
Somebody doesn't have five children.

Somebody said a mother can find all the answers to her child-rearing questions in the books.  
Somebody never had a child stuff beans up his nose or in his ears.

Somebody said the hardest part of being a mother is labor and delivery.  
Somebody never watched her "baby" get on the bus for the first day of kindergarten...or  
on a plane headed for military "boot camp"...or standing in front of a college dormitory.

Somebody said a mother can do her job with her eyes closed and one hand tied behind her back.  
Somebody never organized seven giggling, punching boys for Little League practice.

Somebody said a mother can stop worrying after her child gets married.  
Somebody doesn't know that marriage adds a new son or daughter-in-law  
to a mother's heartstrings.

Somebody said a mother's job is done when her last child leaves home.  
Somebody never had grandchildren.

Somebody said your mother knows you love her, so you don't need to tell her.  
Somebody isn't a mother.

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