

# After deployment, things are different for awhile

Even though Mom was right about things changing, I know I'm an awesome kid  
Even though Mom was right, and we do have to get used to things a bit, I'm still an awesome kid  
Even though Mom was right and people have been cranky around here, I know that everything is alright and I'm an awesome kid

Mom was right, they both got cranky a few days after Dad got home  
She got mad at Dad for things  
And Dad got mad at her for different things too  
Dad would try to do some things the same as before  
But we changed the house around a bit  
Sometimes he would put things back in the wrong places  
Dad sometimes even got mad at us too  
I don't like it when Mom and Dad get mad at each other, It makes me upset

I want to be over all these feelings that Mom was right, and things are different than before

Dad talks a lot about not sleeping well  
He always says he's tired  
And he won't play as much sports with me as before  
He yells at us a lot for being noisy  
We used to make the same noise with Mom  
But she never yelled at us for it  
Mom and Dad disagree over things more now  
But Mom was really glad Dad was home to take care of the van when it broke down

I want to be completely, 100% over all these feelings that Mom was right, and things are different than before

Now that Dad's home we don't get as many pizza nights in front of the TV  
We have to sit at the dinner table  
And Dad makes us eat everything on our plate  
We don't get to see our kids movies on the big TV anymore either  
Dad says it's his TV and we have to use the one in the toy room  
Mom used to let us use the big TV  
But the other day, Mom and Dad laughed and laughed at each other in the kitchen  
And we did start up a new family game night—sometimes with the Wii and sometimes with board games

Somehow I will be completely, 100% over all these feelings that Mom was right, and things are different than before

Mom was right, things have been different since Dad got back  
But Dad did bring us some cool things back from his deployment  
I got a scorpion in glass, some shiny round rocks, and a special hat  
Having Dad come home wasn't the same as I expected  
But his hugs feel the same as before  
And we are getting used to each other  
I love my Dad and he loves me  
That didn't change, for sure