

Getting ready to go

Even though everything changes even before Dad leaves, I'm an awesome kid
Even though everything feels mixed up before Dad is on deployment, I know I'm special
Even though everything changes when Dad's getting ready to go, and he's not even gone yet, I'm still an awesome kid

Everything changes even before Dad leaves
Dad's busy trying to make sure everything is tip top before he goes
Mom keeps telling him things he has to get done
The house is a mess
Dad's military stuff is everywhere
Everybody is cranky
There's more yelling than usual
He hasn't left yet, but everything has changed already

I want to be over all these feelings that everything has already changed

I want to spend as much time as I can with Dad
But so does mom, and so does my sister
And Dad's too busy
Dad has extra things to do at work
Dad has extra things to do around the house
He says he has so much stuff to do to get ready
But I just want to be with him
And instead, everybody is grumpy

I want to be completely over all these feelings that everything has already changed

The house is a mess
Mom and Dad are getting ready for Dad's deployment
We had to cancel movie night
We can't build our indoor fort because Dad's stuff is in the way
We can't live like normal
Even though he hasn't left yet, everything has changed already
I feel grumpy and upset and sometimes I can't wait for him to go
But I don't really want him to go, I'm just confused

Somehow I will be completely 100% over all these feelings that everything has already changed

Mom and Dad are more grumpy than usual too
They have disagreements more than before
The house is all messed up and
I feel like we're mixed up too
I'm grumpy because I don't want Dad to go
Maybe that's why Mom and Dad are grumpy too
I think adults get confused in their feelings just like kids
I know that Dad doesn't want to go, and Mom doesn't want him to