



## 1st day of school

Teresa Tobias, Parent

Today Natalia let go of my hand before she arrived at her classroom door and ran in. She smiled and waved goodbye without a hint of nervousness.

I want to be as brave as my little girl when I grow up!

"I wonder what you're doing now,  
And if everyone is treating you kind.  
I hope there is a special person,  
A nice friend that you can find.

I wonder if the teacher knows  
Just how special you are to me.  
And if the brightness of your heart  
Is something she can see.

I wonder if you are thinking of me,  
And if you need a hug.  
I already miss the sound of your voice  
And how you give my leg a tug.

I wonder if you could possibly understand  
How hard it is for me to let you grow  
On this day know that my heart breaks  
For this is the first step in letting you go."

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