

## WHEN YOU THOUGHT I WASN'T LOOKING

**When you thought I wasn't looking** I saw you hang my first painting on the refrigerator, and I immediately wanted to paint another one.

**When you thought I wasn't looking** I saw you feed a stray cat, and I learned that it was good to be kind to animals.

**When you thought I wasn't looking** I saw you make my favorite cake for me, and I learned that the little things can be the special things in life.

**When you thought I wasn't looking** I heard you say a prayer, and I knew that there is a God I could always talk to, and I learned to trust in Him.

**When you thought I wasn't looking** I saw you make a meal and take it to a friend who was sick, and I learned that we all have to help take care of each other.

**When you thought I wasn't looking,** I saw you give of your time and money to help people who had nothing, and I learned that those who have something should give to those who don't.

**When you thought I wasn't looking** I saw you take care of our house and everyone in it, and I learned we have to take care of what we are given.

**When you thought I wasn't looking** I saw how you handled your responsibilities, even when you didn't feel good, and I learned that I would have to be responsible when I grow up.

**When you thought I wasn't looking** I saw tears come from your eyes, and I learned that sometimes things hurt, but it's all right to cry.

**When you thought I wasn't looking** I saw that you cared, and I wanted to be everything that I could be.

**When you thought I wasn't looking** I learned most of life's lessons that I need to know to be a good and productive person when I grow up.

**When you thought I wasn't looking,** I looked at you and wanted to say, 'Thanks for all the things I saw when you thought I wasn't looking.'