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The world is spinning quickly,
The pace it goes so fast--
Summer turns to autumn,
None of this will last.

Children are a blessing,
They enrich and add spice to our lives--
They teach us lessons about ourselves,
Some lessons we would rather hide.

Sweet little babies are born,
Cooing babies grow--
Giggle and smile (and no, it's not gas!)
So fast
You
Shouldn't
Blink!

Don't close your eyes or look away,
You just might miss that next new thing--
When that moment is gone, you can't get
it back.

One day they take their first little step,
The next they run and hop and skip--
They ride a bike and skin their knee,
They whiz by on roller blades and yell "whooppee!"
They love to play games--
Their laugh is like a musical brook;
They don't even mind when you read them
a book.

Going to school, riding the bus
Goofing off with friends, Oh what a fuss!
Passing of notes, taking those tests—
Even dealing with those who

Were just downright pests!
The first time you danced,
The first time you sang
My heart thrilled with the joy
That I helped produce such a magical
being!

They talk and text and hang out with friends,
Next learning to drive and finding a job,
Too soon they are moving on--
And then…
College and sweethearts,
Lovers and friends,
They all grow so very fast--
If
You
Blink,
You
Will
Miss
It!
So … Spend time with your kids!
Invest your life in them--
Love and laugh and dance and sing!
Whether they are young or old,
The time you will spend will one day be--
Worth its weight in gold

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