

You Know You're Really a Mom When...

1. *You count the number of sprinkles on each kid's cupcake to make sure they are equal.*
2. *You have time to shave only one leg at a time.*
3. *You hide in the bathroom to be alone.*
4. *Your child throws up and you catch it.*
5. *Someone else's kid throws up at a party and you keep eating.*
6. *You consider finger paint to be a controlled substance.*
7. *You mastered the art of placing food on a plate without anything touching.*
8. *Your child insists that you read "Once Upon a Potty" out loud in the lobby of the doctor's office and you do it.*
9. *You hire a babysitter because you haven't been out with your husband in ages, then you spend half the night talking about and checking on the kids.*
10. *You hope ketchup is a vegetable because it's the only one your child eats.*
11. *You find yourself cutting your husband's sandwiches into unusual shapes.*
12. *You obsess when your child clings to you upon parting during his first month at school, then you obsess when he skips in without looking back.*
13. *You can't bear to give away baby clothes--it's so final.*
14. *You hear your mother's voice coming out of your mouth when you say, "Not in your good clothes."*
15. *You stop criticizing the way your mother raised you.*
16. *You read that the average-five-year old asks 437 questions a day and feel proud that your kid is "above average."*

