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# Home

I'm going home soon enough,  
But for now I gotta hang tough.  
I know that if I hold my tongue,  
I'll be home soon, and I won't be wrong.  
My mother loves me, I know she does.  
If she didn't, I'd have no clue where she was.  
I know there's someone; somewhere has it worse than I do,  
But I have a long list of sorrows and regrets that I'm still adding to.  
I need to finish grade ten, this much is clear,  
If I don't, I'll be in school for three more years.  
I know I'll make it home I just know I can,  
But if I don't pick my battles, I'll mess up the whole plan.  
I'm almost done here, just a month and a half,  
I've just gotta ignore snide comments made by the staff.  
I'm getting out of here, that's written in stone  
Because I know what time it is. It's time to go home!

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