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 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 alright 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."

Directions

- 1. Read the poem "When You Thought I Wasn't Looking
- 2. Use Google Documents.
 - Retype each line of the poem onto a document, leaving space in between. Add a symbol or picture that illustrates each line. Visualize! If you do not understand a word, look it up.
- 3. After illustrating the poem, respond to the following questions at the end of your document.
 - → Who do you imagine the speaker to be?
 - → Who do you think was the intended audience? Why?
 - → What message do you think the author was trying to convey through the poem?
 - → How does the poem message apply to parenting and character
- 4. Submit in Google Classroom when you are finished.