



*If you give a mom a muffin,  
she'll want a cup of coffee to go with it.*

*She'll pour herself some.*

*Her three year-old will come and spill the coffee.*

*Mom will wipe it up.*

*Wiping the floor, she will find dirty socks.*

*She'll remember she has to do laundry.*

*When she puts the laundry into the washer,  
she'll trip over shoes and bump into the freezer.*

*Bumping into the freezer will remind her she has to plan supper.*

*She will get out a pound of hamburger.*

*She'll look for her cookbook*

*(How to Make 101 Things With a Pound of Hamburger.)*

*The cookbook is sitting under a pile of mail.*

*She will see the phone bill, which is due tomorrow.*

*She will look for her checkbook.*

*The checkbook is in her purse,  
which is being dumped out by her two year-old.*

*Then she'll smell something funny.*

*She'll change the two year-old.*

*While she is changing the two year-old, the phone will ring.*

*Her five year-old will answer and hang up.*

*She'll remember she was supposed to phone a friend  
to come over for coffee.*

*Thinking of coffee will remind her that she was going to have a cup.*

*She will pour herself some more.*

*And chances are,  
if she has a cup a coffee,*

*her kids will have eaten the muffin that went with it.*



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