

## **My Mum Really Cares**

*My mum really cares, it is part of being a nurse  
She gives help to those in need, she's the best in the universe*

*She used to work in hospitals but now visits patients houses  
For some she helps cook tasty meals and others helps find their trousers*

*Mum has quite a lot of patients, she visits them day and night  
Most of them are well behaved, but some try give her a fright*

*Some patients are very ill and need help to dress and wash  
Some live, in tiny houses, whereas others are very posh*

*Some patients only want a chat. Others need palliative care  
My mum say's getting care at home is something you can't compare*

*Some patients have bad memories and can't remember who she is  
I just always call her mum; they call her Anita, Sheryl and Liz*

*Some patients need extra help as their family live far away.  
In holidays I do visits with Mum, and they all smile and say "hooray"!*

*I have to wear my little badge as her glamorous care assistant  
Mum says that with my cheeky smile her patients are less resistant*

*They always ask how I'm finding school and say how much I've grown  
They say "I remember when you were a baby. OH! How the time has flown"*

*Mum says a carer can be anyone, even a family member  
The job is needed all year round, from January to December*

*Mum's working hours are long, and she's often tired and stressed  
I try to help and tidy up, but my bedroom's still a mess*

*She goes out in rain and ice and wind until her hair stands on its end  
Her umbrella gets bent inside out and she gives it daddy to mend*

*I remember with all the winter snow; Mum was wrapped up like a yeti  
She trudged in the cold across fields and streams to go look after Betty*

*Some days she's really happy; some days she's really sad  
Some days I find she cannot speak or gets super cross with dad*

*Mum still helps me with my homework, and always finds time to chat  
One day when I was feeling blue, she brought home a ginger cat!*

*To relax she likes to take hot baths and soak her feet for a while  
She reads her book and eats some cake and drinks her camomile*

*I love our family holidays when I have her to myself  
Playing games, riding bikes, and reading books from my shelf*

*Back home she never seems to stop, she is a dynamo  
Breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks are all eaten on the go*

*My Granny is a nurse as well, she started this caring business  
My uncle Marky is a doctor now so he's the best for sickness*

*Caring's what our family does, and I am next in line  
I'm proud of mum and what she does, so I think this will be fine*

*Though sometimes I wish I saw her more, she loves me with all her heart  
We're all like one big family and that's the most important part*

*Mum says you shouldn't have favourites; but I thought I'd name a few  
My favourites are the naughty ones and I'm their favourite too!*

*So...*

*Eric, Doris, Betty, Mabel, Ethel, George and Stan  
Audrey, Nora, Brian, Olive, Lucy, Kate and Fran*

*Not forgetting...*

*One-legged Terence, Blue-haired Pollyanna and Shuffling Slippers Man  
I'm happy we all can share my mum, and I can call you Grandpa and Gran*