## Parallel Lines

Encased in your warmth, I lived Hearing your voice, I slept The same food as you, I ate From you, I stole 9 months To you, I gave so much pain Entering the world, screaming and crying Your touch, the only soothing medicine

(In desolate silence, I remained Amongst screams and fights, I awoke Alcohol and tobacco, with you I associate From you, I stole 9 months To you, I gave so much pain Entering the world, screaming and crying Your touch, a foreign experience)

In hunger I awoke, you'd fed me In pain I cry, you'd fight it away In boredom I sigh, you'd make me laugh From you, I stole many days To you, I gave such memories My first words, you My first steps, you

(In hunger I awoke, you passed out In pain I cry, you'd make it worse In boredom I sigh, you don't notice From you, I stole many days To you, I gave such memories My first words... My first steps...)

A goodbye from you feels like torture A step away from you feels so lonely Being in your arms again is a relief From you, I spend many days To you, I'll always come back Every evening, a warm dinner Every night, a forehead kiss

(A goodbye from you is a relief

A step away from you feels heavenly Being in your arms again, such a fake gesture From you, I spend many days To you, I have to come back Every evening, constant blaming Every night, constant drinking)

Even if I fail, you hype me up Even if I stumble, you help me up With you by my side, half the mountain I already climbed From you, I learned many things To you, I'll always be grateful You who makes me do better You who makes me better

(Even if I pass, you see the mistakes Even if I stumble, you don't give me a single glance With you by my side, the mountain feels bigger and I feel smaller From you, I learned many things To you, I'll always be grateful You who I don't want to be You who I will never be)

> Now I go on my own path Clear and sunny The road paved by you From you, I stole 18 years To you, I give my life Mom... Mom..

(Now I go on my own path Stormy and thorny The road paved by you From me, you stole 18 years Away from you, I'll finally live the rest Mom... Mom...)

Explanation: To me motherhood (parenthood in general) is a huge responsibility. You're responsible for the human you brought into the world. Your words, your actions, your unconscious gestures translates into your child and they learn from you. You teach them about the world, about themselves. You strive so that they can be confident in themselves, know what they want, and step towards the future as a responsible adult who knows how to take care of themselves and the world.

There are many types of mother, none are perfect but how you raise your child/ren can have a huge affect on them. You can leave them ready and prepared for anything to come or you can leave them with trauma whether seen or unseen. Your child's personality, habits, strengths, and weaknesses are all (mostly) related to how you raised them. So to me, motherhood is a huge responsibility.