Wintermitts

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Lego toys on the counters
Dolls stuffed in a bag
All the wintermitts on the radiators
Are some of the things that I love

Boots and boots
Are stacked on wet newspapers
There're puddles to avoid
And the chorus from the kitchen sings
"I love you"

Toilet paper tubes in every room
He will use for constructions
Drawings of Charlotte when she was a baby
In my belly they were safe

They used to catch me crying
I should not have cried that much
But then they would console me
They have such a gentle touch
Would bring me a kleenex and tell me
Everything was okay
Now I know it will be

When I go away
They go on without me
But it never is the same
And it makes my heart ache