

Nothing

When children come home at the end of the day
the question they're asked as they run out to play is
"What did you do today?"
and the answer they give makes you sigh with dismay
"Nothing. I did nothing today."

Perhaps nothing means that I played with blocks,
or counted to ten, or sorted some rocks.

Maybe I painted a picture of red and blue,
or heard a story of a mouse that flew.

Maybe I watched gerbils eat today,
or went outside on the swings to play.

Maybe today was the very first time
that my scissors followed a very straight line.

Maybe I led a song from beginning to end,
or played with a special brand-new friend.

When you're in preschool
and when your heart has wings,
"Nothing" can mean so many things!