Mommy, Please Stay Home With Me

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A mother went out on a party She left at home her baby son He cried and begged her not to leave him But she would not give up her fun.

She kissed his cheek and tried to soothe him But would not heed his childish plea She heard him call as she was leavin' "Please mommy, please stay home with me."

The mother joined the merrymakers And soon was lost in trifling joy The mellow tunes and flitting shadows Made her forget her baby boy.

She danced and laughed and did some drinkin'
The world for her was full of glee
But now and then these words would haunt her
"Please mommy, please stay home with me."

She left the party feeling dizzy
The smell of drinking on her breath
She hurried home to find her baby
In raging pain and nearing death.

The doctor came and looked on sadly
The case was hopeless, he could see
The baby died, these words repeating
"Please mommy, please stay home with me."

The mother now, her life would forfeit To hear her baby's voice again She grieved to think she rudely left him To satisfy her wicked vain.

Now mothers don't neglect your duty
This story should a lesson be
Do not ignore your baby's pleading
"Please mommy, please stay home with me."