

EVA TANGUAY'S GREAT "MOTHER" SONG  
**M-O-T-H-E-R**  
A word that means the world to me



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Andante moderato

I've been a-round the world, you bet, But nev-er went to school, Hard  
When I was but a ba-by, long be-fore I learned to walk, While

knocks are all I seem to get, Per-haps I've been a fool; But  
ly-ing in my cra-dle, I would try my best to talk; It

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still, some ed - u - ca - ted folks, sup - posed to be so swell, Would  
was - n't long, be - fore I spoke, and all the neigh-bors heard, My

fail, if they were called up - on a sim-ple word to spell. Now  
folks were ve - ry proud of me for "Moth - er" was the word. Al -

if you'd like to put me to a test, \_\_\_\_\_ There's  
though I'll nev - er lay a claim to fame, \_\_\_\_\_ I'm

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one dear name that I can spell the best: \_\_\_\_\_  
sat - is - fied that I can spell this name: \_\_\_\_\_



## CHORUS

"M" is for the mil - lion things she gave me,  
is for the mer - cy she pos - ses - ses,

"O" means on - ly that she's grow - ing old, —  
means that I owe her all I own, —

"T" is for the tears were shed to save me,  
is for her ten - der sweet ca - res - ses,

"H" is for her heart of pur - est gold; —  
is for her hands that made a home; —



"E" is for her eyes, with love - light shin - ing,  
means ev - 'ry - thing she's done to help me,

"R" means right, and right she'll al - ways be, —  
means real and reg - u - lar, you see, —

Put them all to - geth - er, they spell "MOTH - ER," A

word that means the world to me. —

