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There'd be brighter nights lights,
Healthier hamsters, and
Basketball baskets forty eight inches lower.

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You wouldn't have clean.
You wouldn't have bedtimes.
Or "Don't punch your sister."
You wouldn't even have sisters.

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A chocolate sundae with whipped cream
 and nuts would be a vegetable
All 007 movies would be G,
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