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You're going to feel every moment of being a mother.



You're also going to be making sandwiches until you die.

Somebody's Always Hungry is a collection of motherhood essays detailing life as a mother from the child's birth to age five years old. Not the orderly, glossy parenting magazine style of parenting, but what it really feels like. How life slams from sixty m.p.h. to zero in those five to six pushes during labor, and for the next five years (and counting) raising your babies. You are going to watch as two tiny people slowly dismantle your old life and accomplishments with tiny imperceptible fingers, building you an entirely new life you didn't know you needed, made preferably out of Cool Whip. But it's okay. Because your heart also goes from one-person-sized to big enough to save a nation.

Hungry will help you feel a part of motherhood's crazy rhythm. The stories comfort mothers new and old in the midst of motherhood's joys and tragic everydayness. As you disappear into the motherhood abyss, *Hungry* throws you down a rope. The stories help remind you that you are not alone in your great humor-filled love and struggle down its hot dog-littered path toward soul-thickness. You will come back to yourself. Motherhood unstitches you and restitches you as a much wider person inside. And you're never done. Somebody's always hungry.



Juliet Johnson is an NYU grad, short story writer and playwright from Maryland and Los Angeles. She grew up traipsing around the back lot of Universal Studios with her brothers while her dad made television shows. Working on movies and t.v. made her think that dreams were possible, that you could get paid a lot of money for standing around in your shorts and drinking Lipton Cup of Soup, and that food appeared from time to time without any preparation involved. She lives in Los Angeles with her husband Barry (met on a horror film), kids Nathan, Emma, baby Lilly, Gramma Moose, sometimes Bruce, dogs and bunnies. She drives for a horse-drawn carriage company and dreams of rainstorms and open pastures (including horses) some day.

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