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Mom's Big Brown Bag Detective

Search for the items in bold.

Mom's trusty **brown bag** was large enough to hold the proverbial kitchen sink.

Whatever happened, she was ready with everything from **Tylenol** to a **sweater of pink**.

Heaven forbid a child of hers grew bored or needed a **sippy cup** wherever they might be.

With **3 kid's books**, **2 dinosaurs**, **4 granola bars**, and **6 crayons**, they were covered from A to Z.

Under the watchful eye of the policeman, who'd stopped her car because of a broken taillight,

She searched for her wallet, but just **2 hairbrushes** and a **change purse** were in sight.

She found a **quarter**, **4 bills**, **credit card**, and **hand sanitizer**—she smiled, hoping he'd let her by.

Adjusting **2 pairs of sunglasses**, he said, "This better not be a bribe!" with a twinkle in his eye.

She found **9 pretzels**, a **library card**, a **grocery list**, **5 pens**, and **3 coupons** buried in her bag,

Plus a **teddy bear**, **Play-Doh**, and **2 mint tins**, but not the wallet she'd hoped to snag.

A **purple evening bag**, **2 black gloves**, a **string of pearls**, and **scarf** were part of the mess,

Along with **2 Wicked tickets**, a **playbill**, and **2 bottles of nail polish** for her sister Tess.

2 sets of keys, **4 dolls**, **scissors**, and **2 Tootsie Pops** from the dumped bag rolled on the seat.

With a **sandwich**, **2 apples**, **2 compacts**, and a **calculator**, the emptying of her bag was complete.

Then suddenly she remembered, reached in her coat pocket, and gave a sheepish grin,

As she pulled out her wallet and **3 lipsticks** that her bag had been too full to fit them within.