

- 1✓ When my mother ^{was} a little girl, she got
- 2✓ lots of things ~~passed~~ ^{passed} on to her, from relatives
- 3✓ who died ~~and~~ moved away. These
- 4✓ things have been passed on to me. She
- 5✓ has given me two beautiful dolls.
- 6✓ She has told me how she played with
- 7✓ them every day after school and how
- 8✓ she ~~used to play~~ used to bring them everywhere she went. She told me to take very good care of them, that they

¶ were worth being taken care of.

Now, these dolls are mine. Teresa is already a leg, and Susie's the one with ~~a~~ missing arm and leg. I keep Teresa and Susie on my shelf ~~with~~ where they can be safe with all my other dolls, and lots of my teddy bears.

¶ When I go ^{as} to bed at night, I imagine my mother ^{as} a girl.

I can see her black hair, her brown eyes and her gentle hands as he slowly puts her arms ~~around~~ ^{around} them.

I also imagine her playing with them with friends, and slowly taking them off her shelf to show different people. ^{eyes}

¶ Their shiny ^{eyes} look into mine I remember the past and imagine the future.

Someday, they will belong to my children and they will imagine my past.