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## FOR THOMAS

*by* Briggs Helton

Don't click your tongue at me,  
pretending to manage your autism.  
I'm jealous of your only word: "Mommy."  
Tie your own shoes for a change  
I can't make you sit down or  
eat your chicken nuggets.  
Kiss me on the cheek,  
put your fingers in my mouth,  
I don't care where your hands have been.