

## **Children Are Like Pets**

Children are like pets

They can learn tricks

They can learn to say “I love you”

They are complimentary

They are perfect in every way

Until they learn the trick of being adult

Then you are in real trouble

They say – Fuck you –

They run away from home

They don't respond in the proper way

They are difficult, messy

Bad pets!

Sometimes, children really grow

Into their wants

They explain their angers

They compromise

They say – Forgive me –

Before you die.

But don't count on it.