



## Laura

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Let's call her Laura, not her real name.  
She loves the challenge, the buzz, the game.  
Laura's a woman who has no shame.  
She checks out the cameras, the exits, the guards.  
She can't stop stealing, it's what she must do.  
She's high on adrenaline but her breathing is calm.  
She's compelled to do it but her conscience is clear.  
Laura believes she's doing no harm.

Upon her sleeve, her little boy tugs.  
It's an addiction like drinks, fags and drugs.  
Her two boisterous sons provide her with cover.  
For she's just another expectant mother.  
With this morning's harvest of goodies and gold.  
Soon to be secreted in her belly so bold.