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At A Loss

Although I own
thousands of words,

none can describe
what filled me

when I found my son,
age eight, in tears,

sitting beside
the phone and I asked

"Did they say 'No?'"
and he answered

"They still haven't called"
and I said "Then why

are you upset?"
and he sobbed

"Because I--
I care so much."

- Robert K Johnson