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Mom always cooked the best caramel treats in October. One year when my twin brother and I were 8 years old, we convinced my 3 year old brother to climb up to the 20 foot tall barn roof with us.

Right as we got to the top, my Mom spotted us from the kitchen window just as the caramel began to boil.

Mom came running out scolding us until we were safely down. By the time we all got back to the kitchen much of the caramel had overflowed out of the pan. The remaining caramel in the pan was burnt, but in our family we never wasted food. So Mom poured the remaining caramel on a flat sheet, let it cool and then cut it into small pieces.

Turns out, slightly burnt caramels have great flavor and we've been making them that way ever since. Now with kids of my own, they won't eat them any other way.

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