

Raising Readers Backpack

Congratulations! By checking out and using this backpack from **Capital Area District Libraries**, you are helping your child develop important literacy skills. Although these skills are very important, they can also be fun to learn.

In fact, every time you use one of these five simple practices with your child, you are helping him or her develop into a lifelong learner: **reading, writing, talking, singing** and **playing**.

Here are some ideas for using the items in this backpack:

- Read the books together, pointing out new words as you go along.
- Write some of the letters or words you see in the book.
- Talk with your child about the items in the kit. Ask what he or she thinks the stories might be about.
- Listen to the music on the CD or watch the DVD together. Play with the toys included in the backpack.
- After finishing one of the stories, imagine what might happen next.

Read • Write • Talk • Sing • Play

This tip sheet stays with the backpack. For a copy of your own, visit any CADL branch or cadl.org/raisingreaders.

ROBOTS

BACKPACK ACTIVITIES

Five little robots

Five little robots jumping in the ship
One fell down and bumped its hip
Called up the doctor and the doctor quipped
“No more robots jumping on the ship!”

Then 4, 3, 2, and 1

If You're a Robot

(to If you're happy and you know it)

If you're a robot and you know it
Clank your coils
(clap hands)

Clunk your gears
(stomp feet)

Press your buttons
“Beep beep”)

*can you come up with new things you could do if you were a robot?!!

