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 DVD.
- After finishing one of the stories, imagine together 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*.

Please return backpack to checkout desk.

FAMILIES BACKPACK ACTIVITY

Who is Knocking At My Door (sung to London Bridge is Falling Down)

(adapt the song to your family. Show pictures of each person as you sing their verse.)

Who is knocking at my door, at my door, at my door?

Who is knocking at my door!

Look! It's Mommy.

Let's give Mom a great big kiss, great big kiss, great big kiss.

Let's give Mom a great big kiss. Goodbye, Mommy!

Who is knocking at my door, at my door, at my door?

Who is knocking at my door?

Look! It's Daddy.

Let's give Dad a great big hug, great big hug, great big hug.

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Let's give Dad a great big hug. Goodbye, Daddy!

Who is knocking at my door, at my door, at my door?

Who is knocking at my door?

Look! It's Grandma.

Let's give Grandma a great big smile, great big smile, great big smile.

Let's give Grandma a great big smile. Goodbye, Grandma! Who is knocking at my door, at my door, at my door?

Who is knocking at my door?

Look! It's Grandpa.

Let's give Grandpa a great big wave, great big wave, great big wave.

Let's give Grandma a great big wave. Goodbye, Grandpa!

Who is knocking at my door, at my door, at my door?

Who is knocking at my door.

Look! It's my family.

Let's tell everyone I love you, I love you, I love.

Let's tell everyone I love you.

I love my family!

