

Activity Idea

Pack A Bag

Pretend Play & Sorting

Recommended for Ages 3-5

Calling all bags!

Gather up the different bags that you have around the house. Are you surprised by the different types that you have? From backpacks and shopping bags, to purses and duffels, to laptop bags and beach totes, oh my!

Take note

Pick a few bags from your collection and make note of where items that are typically put inside the bag. For instance, if you have a designated library bag, try and find some books, CDs, DVDs or magazines and even your library card. Or, if using a grocery bag, take stock of packaged goods, boxes, fruit or canned goods you'd feel comfortable having your child access.

What goes where?

Challenge your child with a game of pretend and tell them you're going on a special imaginary trip. Ask your child to help fill the bags. Prompt them with a question like, "what goes where?" Engage them as they work on their sorting and motor skills, introduce them to new vocabulary, let them take the lead in playing and see where the activity takes you.