

Pick-Up Questions

Little cards for the car

6 pages · colour it, cut it, use it together



Made for This Day

Before you start

Please read this page before the children do

Adult supervision is required for every activity in this pack. Children under 12 are more impulsive and less able to follow multi-step safety instructions than adults, and there is no substitute for direct supervision (U.S. CPSC, Art and Craft Safety Guide, Pub. 5015).

Steps marked ADULT STEP are for an adult to do

- not for a child with an adult watching. They are marked that way for a reason.

Materials

Paper or thin card, crayons or washable markers, and child-safety scissors to cut out the cards. Use art materials labelled for children and marked "Conforms to ASTM D-4236". Do not substitute a material carrying a caution or warning label - CPSC advises against those for children through grade 6. Even materials labelled non-toxic can be harmful if used in a way they were not intended for.

While you work

Keep food and drink out of the work area. An adult does the cutting for younger children. Wash hands afterwards.

Small pieces

Once cut out, the cards are small paper pieces. Not suitable for children under 3, who may put them in their mouths - keep cut cards away from little ones.

This pack is cards to colour and cut out - no glue, no string.

If something goes wrong - U.S. Poison Control: 1-800-222-1222

This is a printable set. We do not supply materials and cannot know what you have at home or what your child can safely handle, so those judgements are yours. Read the label on every product you use and follow it over anything written here. Use at your own risk.

How to use these

Little cards for the car, or the walk home

Don't open with "How was your day?"

It's a big, tired question, and a small child at the end of a long day usually can't answer it. So they say "good" or "I don't know," and the door closes.

Open with the truth instead: "I'm happy to see you."

Say it, mean it, get down to their level. That first card is for you, not them - it's the thing your child most needs to hear at the door. The rest of the day can wait for the car.

Then, later, try one small card.

In the car, on the walk, at dinner - pick one specific card, not ten. "Who did you sit next to?" is answerable in a way "how was your day" never is. One question is plenty. If they don't want to talk, that's an answer too - just be with them.

Colour the little picture, cut the cards out, and keep them in the car door or a coat pocket.

Pick-up questions - 1

Colour, cut out, keep in the car

I'm so happy to see you.



Who did you play with today?



What made you laugh?



What did you build or make?



What did you have for snack?



Did you go outside? What did you do?



Cut along the dotted lines. An adult cuts for younger children.

Pick-up questions - 2

Colour, cut out, keep in the car

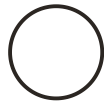
What was your favourite song
or story?



Who was kind to you today?



What was tricky today?



What made you happy?



Did anything make you sad?



What do you want to do when we
get home?



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Pick-up questions - 3

Colour, cut out, keep in the car

What colour did you see the most?



Who did you sit next to?



What was the best part of your day?



Did you help anyone today?



Ask your own question:



Ask your own question:



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