





Department of Education


Science of Reading

Take-Everywhere Literacy Packs™ Getting Started Guide

Materials for distribution:

 Personalized letter from the Iowa Department of Education to families and caregivers

 Custom backpacks, family and caregiver letters, and labels

 Two literacy packs of 10 Science of Reading decodables for each child



1 Open Your Boxes of Decodable Books

Take-Everywhere Literacy Packs™ come in **three different levels** targeting key phonics skills. Packs are labeled by skill level.

Beginning-of-Year
CVC Review

Middle-of-Year
Beginning &
Ending Blends

End-of-Year
Final E &
R-Controlled Words

Organize your packs by reading skills, assign students a pack based on their phonics needs, and use labels to personalize each pack with student names.

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Distribute Packs to Students

Teachers can choose how to distribute the packs. Here are some suggestions:

Each student will receive:

- **A letter from the Iowa Department of Education**
- One *Take-Everywhere Literacy Pack™* (or both if schools choose to send them together)
- Family and caregiver letter
- Custom backpack

Tell students you have a special reading gift just for them!

Have students open their packs at the same time (Count down: "3, 2, 1... OPEN!"). Give students time to explore their new books.



Highlight the reading and writing activities:

Writing practice
on the last page

High Five Reading
on the back cover

Fun video phonics
lessons in multiple
languages unique
to each book!

✓ **Phonics Fun**
• Say a word.

• hear in each word.
• Tap your shoulder for the first sound you hear.
• Tap your elbow for the second sound you hear.
• Tap your wrist for the third sound you hear.
• Say the word.

bib hip
bit sit

6B **Decodable Words**

Write the word to grow your **ix**

High Five

Each time you read this book, color in a section of the high five!
Keep reading to become a strong and confident reader.

Give Me a High Five!

Each time you read this book, color in a section of the high five!
Keep reading to become a strong and confident reader.

Scan Me!
Reading lesson
in English, Spanish
and many more
languages!

El sonido corto de la letra i

3 Send *Take-Everywhere Literacy Packs™* Home!

Schools have the flexibility to send the packs individually or together, based on their preference.

Keep Students Reading at Home!

These packs are for students to keep and enjoy with their families and caregivers!



Send the letter from the Iowa Department of Education and the family and caregiver letter home with students.



Families and caregivers can scan the QR code on each decodable to watch a fun phonics video. Each book has a unique video lesson!



Invite families and caregivers to explore the Iowa Family and Caregiver Hub for resources to support reading at home.

Make sure both packs are sent home with students this school year.









Reach out to the *Just Right Reader* team at iowa@justrightreader.com if you need additional packs.

A Closer Look At Take-Everywhere Literacy Packs™

PLUS!
A letter from the
**Iowa Department
of Education** to
families and
caregivers!

 **2 Packs of 10 Science of Reading
decodables** *personalized for each student*

-  **Specially wrapped** packs made for each student.
-  **Custom backpacks** allow students to take reading everywhere.
-  **Video phonics lessons** reinforce phonics in multiple languages. Families and caregivers can scan the QR code on each decodable to watch a fun video lesson unique to every book!
-  **Writing pages** strengthen the reading-writing connection.
-  **Research-based activities** motivate students to keep reading.
-  **Family and caregiver letter** supports reading at home.



**Optional
Teacher
Resources**

**Visit the Iowa Teacher Hub for
Science of Reading Resources!**

go.justrighthereader.com/iowa-teacher-hub



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