

Don't forget your toothbrush

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Level 1 • Starter / Beginner +

Age: Primary (6–11)

Language aims: To practise using *don't*; to practise using the present continuous; to revise family vocabulary and relationships; to introduce *It's time to ...*

Time: 35 minutes

Student grouping: Whole class

Materials: One copy of the worksheet per student; the audio (downloaded in advance or played via onestopenglish); realia or pictures of a toothbrush, a pair of socks, a small suitcase, rocks

Language focus: *Mum, dad, baby, granny; car, toothbrush, rocks, socks, everything, suitcase, holiday; sleep, wait, cry, scream, pack; It's time to, don't forget, full of*

Procedure

Step 1

Teach *car, toothbrush, rocks, socks* and *suitcase* using realia. Pretend to pack the suitcase with the other items and mime how heavy it becomes when imaginary rocks are packed. Ask 'What's in my suitcase?' and call one child to pull out the things so the rest of the class can say them together.

Step 2

Teach *sleep, wait, cry, scream, pack* and *forget* through mime and add *don't* to each one. Check children understand the meaning of *don't*.

Step 3

Hand out the worksheets. Introduce *mum, dad, baby* and *granny*.

Step 4

Explain you are going to teach the class a chant. Ask the children to listen and identify where the family are going on holiday (*granny's*) and what happens to the baby. (*He changes from sleeping to crying to screaming!*)

Step 5

Play the audio a few times and let the children say the chant, copying the actions that you demonstrate at the front.

Follow-up activity

Ask three children to be mum, dad and baby and two other children to pack a suitcase. Introduce actions: mum is looking at her watch, dad is impatient in the car (yawning or drumming his fingers) and baby is sleeping. Child 1 is packing the case and child 2 is handing over the toothbrush and socks. The children should mime the family's actions while the rest of the class say the chant again.

Transcript

Mum says we're going on holiday.
She says it's time to pack.
Dad is waiting in the car
And baby's SLEEPING in the back.

Don't forget your toothbrush.
Don't forget your socks.
Please don't forget anything.
Oof! Is your suitcase full of rocks?

Mum says we're going to Granny's.
She says it's time to pack.
Dad is waiting in the car
And baby's CRYING in the back.

Don't forget your toothbrush.
Don't forget your socks.
Please don't forget anything.
Oof! Is your suitcase full of rocks?

Mum says we're going to be late.
She says it's time to pack.
Dad is waiting in the car
And baby's SCREAMING in the back!

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Mum says we're going on holiday.
She says it's time to pack.
Dad is waiting in the car
And baby's sleeping in the back.

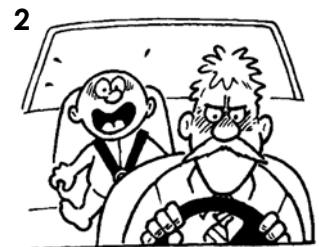


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Don't forget your socks.

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Oof! Is your suitcase full of rocks?



Mum says we're going to Granny's.

She says it's time to pack.

Dad is waiting in the car

And baby's crying in the back.

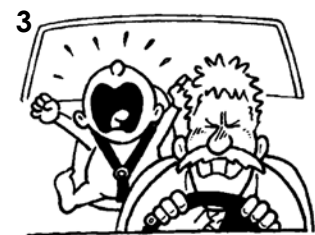


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Mum says we're going to be late.

She says it's time to pack.

Dad is waiting in the car

And baby's screaming in the back!