



DO IT YOURSELF

MOVING DAY

multi-sensory story



Moving Day

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Preparation – Roll up the “poster” and put a rubber band around it near one end.

Finally it was here. Moving day! Leanna was finally getting her own room.

Set of keys **Dad opened the door. “I’ve got the keys!” he said excitedly.**
They shake the keys. Put these in the jacket pocket without the listener noticing if possible!

Cardboard box **“Haven’t you packed yet Leanna?” asked Dad. “Better get started! Here’s a box.”**
They feel the cardboard box.

Shoe **Leanna started packing. She packed her shoes.**
They feel the shoe and put it in the box.

Book **She packed her books.**
Get them to flick the pages of the book, or do this for them so they can feel them flicking past, then they put it in the box.

Poster/rubber band **She rolled up her poster and put a rubber band around it.**
They feel the rolled up poster, then help them to slide the rubber band down to halfway.

Jacket **Soon everything was packed. “Phew!” said Dad. “All that packing’s made me hot, so he took his jacket off and threw it on the back seat of the car.**
Throw them the jacket.

When they got to the new house, Dad went to open the door. “Oh no!” he said. “I must have packed the keys!”

Aftershave/scrap of paper **They started looking through the boxes. They found Dad’s aftershave...**
Spray some aftershave on the paper for them to smell.

Phone charger **They found Mum’s phone charger...**
They feel the charger.

Biscuit tin **And they found the biscuit tin...**
They shake the tin. If appropriate they can also eat a biscuit!
But they couldn’t find the keys!

Please turn over

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“They must be here somewhere!” said Dad. “And it’s getting cold now too! Pass me my jacket please, Leanna.”

Jacket/Set of keys **As Leanna picked up the jacket, she heard something jingle...**
They shake the jacket with the keys in.

It was the keys!
They feel the keys.

Ketchup **“I’m so sorry!” said Dad. “Maybe I can make up for it by getting us chips for dinner? After all, I’ve just found the ketchup...”**
They smell the ketchup.

Action **“Don’t worry Dad,” said Leanna. “Chips and ketchup make up for anything!” And she gave him a hug.**
Give them a hug.

Notes on items needed for this story

Set of keys – the more keys the better.

Cardboard box – doesn’t need to be huge, but needs to be big enough to put the book, shoe, and poster in (the poster can stick out).

Shoe – any shoe.

Book – preferably paperback.

Poster/rubber band – an actual poster is ideal, but if not a sheet of paper would do.

Jacket – any jacket, but must have at least one pocket.

Aftershave/scrap of paper – any type.

Phone charger – any type.

Biscuit tin – any tin filled with either biscuits or other items. Eating a biscuit is optional. If you don’t have a tin, you could use a jar/box/packet of sweets or similar instead.

Ketchup – any brand.

Watch an example online

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