

# IF YOU TAKE MOUSE TO SCHOOL

Going to school is a wonderful adventure and when you take a mouse with you, it becomes even more exciting!

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Whether your child is headed for school or a child care setting, sometimes getting out the door in the morning can be quite a production. You can use this book to add some humor to starting your day or just introducing your child to new experiences.

Any time that you're getting ready to go somewhere, there is "prep time" involved.....dressing yourself, brushing your teeth, combing your hair. You can talk to your child about what a big boy or girl they are when they can put socks on by themselves or brush their teeth unassisted. Nothing like a little positive reinforcement to keep a child feeling good about growing up.

Packing a lunch or having a lunchbox is lots of fun, even if you don't need to take your lunch anywhere! If you don't have a lunchbox at your house, find a small box that you can decorate and add a handle with either heavy tape or string. Pack a lunch and eat in the yard or somewhere other than the kitchen and lunch can be a whole new experience!