



# Backpack-tivity:

## An @Home Learning Activity

### Catch the Phrase

**Introduction:**

As you complete this activity, you will improve your vocabulary and share thoughts about a book you have read.

**Materials:**

You'll need a pen or pencil, this piece of paper, and a line or two from a good story.

**Directions:**

Student: Use at home a phrase or sentence from a book or story you have read. Try to use the phrase in a way that fits into your normal conversation. Count the number of times you use the phrase before your family partner catches on.

Family Partner: Try to "catch" your child using a phrase from a book or story. When you think you know what the phrase is, yell, "Seuss is loose!" Then see if you can guess what story the phrase comes from!

**Talk About It:**

What story did the phrase come from? Who wrote it? Who said it? What was happening in the story at the time? Why did you choose it? Write the title and author of the story on the lines below.

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**Learn More:**

Read a story at the public library, at *Online Literature* <http://www.online-literature.com> or at *Classics for Young People* <http://www.ucalgary.ca/~dkbrown/storclas.html>, choose a new phrase, and play the game again.

This activity was completed by \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.