



# Activity

**Brightening Lives Activities** are simple ways for groups of people to come together and participate in a hands-on volunteer project. These activities are easy, convenient, fun and are intended to connect volunteers to the needs of their community and local charity and agency partners.

## Book Adventure

### Summary and Goals:

Collect books for children of all ages and then come together to sort them to create mini libraries for your local shelter, or for families to take to their new homes when leaving the shelter.

### Supplies:

Books appropriate to the ages of the children being supported, book plates to insert in front of books. Create kits in clear bags for families to borrow or to take to their new home.

### Activity for Children:

Children can make book marks to go inside the books with happy messages of support.

### Follow-Up Activities for Future Events at the Agency:

For those who would like to volunteer with the families, create a time that you can read with children to help them build their skills and love of books. Create a monthly story hour where volunteers pair with one or two children to read together. Speak with your charity partner first to find out what the families would like.



The Foundation's purpose is to make a difference to children and families experiencing crisis and disadvantage. We achieve this by creating Bright Spaces® which are indoor and outdoor play spaces located in homeless shelters, domestic violence refuges and refugee centres. We do this in partnership with other agencies to help vulnerable children and families build caring relationships, heal from trauma through play, and access support in a safe, child-friendly environment.

For more information about the Bright Horizons Foundation for Children, visit [www.brighthorizonsfoundationforchildren.org/eu](http://www.brighthorizonsfoundationforchildren.org/eu)

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