

### eleanor amplified

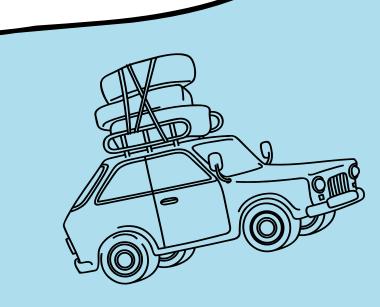
This NPR produced podcast is an exciting adventure targeted towards the imaginative ones who might be sick of science and learning podcasts by now. With Eleanor's strong moral code and excellent storytelling, there is always an important lesson hiding in the excitement.



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This is for your imaginative little ones who might not have the longest attention spans. With short episodes, they won't get lost or bored of long plot lines, but will be exposed to wonderful tales of action and adventure.

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### WOW IN THE WORLD

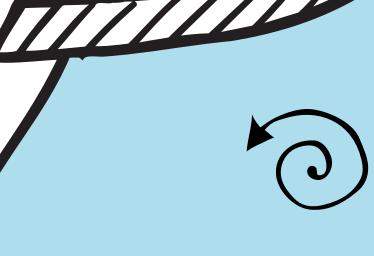
This podcast by NPR is specifically designed to pique your entire family's interest. They combine "science and fun" to explore kid-approved topics such as outer space, dinosaurs, and roller coasters.





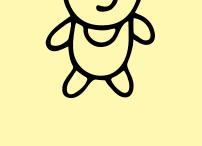
### BUT WHY

A Podcast for Curious Kids by Vermont Public Radio. Topics such as how bubbles are made, why dogs have whiskers, and how chocolate is made are explained in kid-friendly and funny terms. This may be for a slightly older audience with longer attention spans, but you can select episodes to please the younger ones as well.



# Packing





Let kids pack themselves

travelmamas.com/kids-pack-myself-packing-list/





Road tripping with several different stops along the way? Use packing cubes. Pack a cube for each day with everyone's clothes. Then when you stop, grab the cube for that day instead of unloading the entire car like our parents used to do.



TIPS FROM SOLO MOM TAKES FLIGHT

Packing for a long roadtrip with kids

solomomtakesflight.com/blog/packing-for-a-roadtrip/



TRAVEL MAMA TEAM SHARES...

Packing list for school-age kids



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Look at road signs, billboards, restaurant signs, etc. and try to find all the letters of the alphabet, in order, from A to Z.

Who hasn't played this game at some point in their life? It's as simple as it sounds. Look at the license plate on passing cars and see how many different states and territories you can find.

> LICENSE PLATE search



Go around the car and have each person tell a joke. It could be a knock-knock joke or something completely random that they make up. The jokes don't even have to make sense. My kids love just making things up and then laughing about it. It makes for a very fun time.



**CHECK OUT THE BOOK:** We there yet?

This book by Jeff Sechler has more than 140 games, tongue twisters and activities, including a few all-time classics. 🤏 🔀

This game is all about being creative and thinking outside the box. Simply give an excuse for why the student did not turn in his homework on time (or any other topic you'd like to use). Excuses such as "his dog ate it" or "aliens attacked his house" are just the beginning of the fun things you can come up with.



Warrior Tip Have a dance party in the car.

Each family member gets to play DJ and pick a song and then it moves to the next person.



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