About Memory Minders Kits for Caregivers

Memory Minders Kits for Caregivers

are specially created for those who are caring for people experiencing memory loss.

The materials in these Kits are specifically selected to **spark memories, create conversation and provide positive and engaging interactions** between people with

Alzheimer's and Dementia and their care partners.

Each **Memory Minders Kit** is

unique and features a variety of materials. Kits are available in three activity levels: High, Middle and Low.

NEW!

Kits are now available for **Lewy Body Dementia** caregivers and for helping **Children** understand dementia.

The Memory Minders Kits are

available at Ramsey County Library. Visit <u>www.rclreads.org</u> or call 651-724-6001 for more information.

Memory Minders Kits Contain:

• A Caregiver's Guide to Dementia by Laura Gitlin, which provides activities and techniques to assist with the behavioral symptoms of dementia.

COLORS

An Exploration of Color trough Poetry and Picture

 A **book** with colorful illustrations specifically created to engage

conversation with those with memory loss.

- An interactive activity for use with those with memory loss (such as puzzles, games, conversation cards or art activities).
- A **cd** with music to soothe and spark memory or an informational or calming **dvd**.
- Book lists and tip sheets for care partners.

Which Kit Should I Choose?

The **Memory Minders Kits** are divided into three Activity Levels: High, Middle and Low.

High Activity Level (Early Stage Dementia):

- Dresses self with occasional errors; needs help with details
- Understands the goal of the task; uses what is seen as cues for what to do
- Needs periodic cueing

Middle Activity Level (Middle Stage Dementia):

- Dresses with help for the basic steps and details
- Doesn't understand the goal but has some awareness of task steps
- Needs step by step cuing

Low Activity Level (Late Stage Dementia):

- Needs physical help with all the steps
- Doesn't understand the purpose or task steps
- Caregiver physical assist; hand over hand

MindStart www.mindstart.com Activity Level descriptions courtesy of **Mindstart**

Memory Minder Kits are also available for:

- Lewy Body Dementia Kits specific to for LBD. Funding provided by UCare.
- **Children** Kits help children understand loved ones with Alzheimer's & Dementia.



More Information

Checking Out:

- Memory Minder Kits can be checked out for three weeks.
- Kits are renewable.



Checking In:

- Kits may be returned to the desk of any branch of Ramsey County Library.
- Please bring kits to the Circulation Desk for check in. (No book drop returns, please.)

Requests:

- Kits may be requested on our catalog.
- If you would like a particular Kit or activity, please ask a librarian for assistance.

Overdues:

• Overdue charges for Kits are \$0.30 per day, up to a limit of \$15.00.

Replacement Costs:

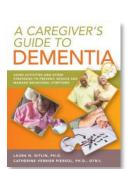
• Replacement cost for an entire Kit is \$50.00.

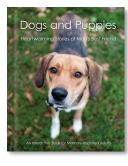
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Contact Carol Jackson, Shoreview Library Manager, at carol.l.jackson@co.ramsey.mn.us or 651-724-6090.



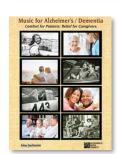
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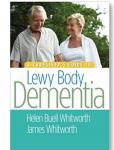








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