`D' is for Deployment Ann Raps it up



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"Hi, we are here to share this story with you."



Lulu

Pat

Zelda

Mack

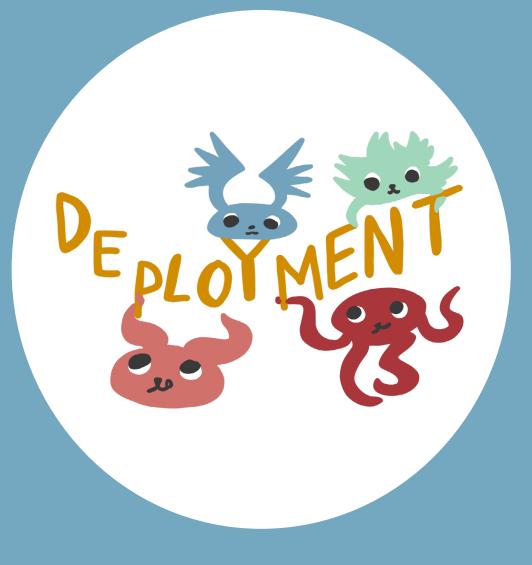
Loves: Animals, games like hide and seek

Loves: Gardening, hiking Loves: baking, painting, and counting numbers Loves: mini golf, swimming, and playing at the park

'D' is for DEPLOYMENT, a word I live with everyday. Although I don't always say it, it's with me all the time.



D' is also for DIFFICULT because it is hard to understand. But this book will help as we explore each letter.



'D' is also for DEPLOYMENT when adults work away.

It's also for DREAMS. I dream about my parent when they go away.

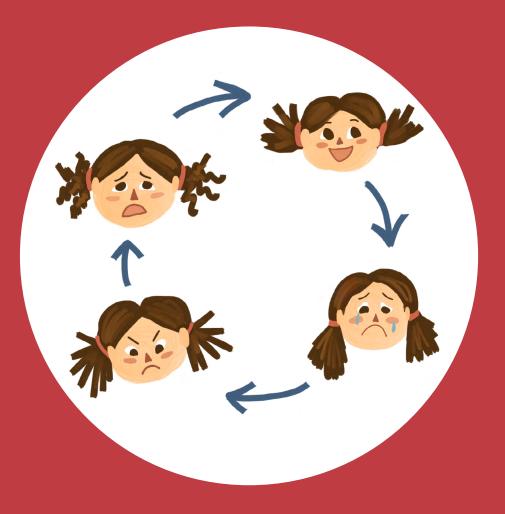


'E' is for EMOTIONS because we feel so many when they are away.

It's also for EVER, because it seems to take that long.

It's also for EXTRA because sometimes it's extra hard to say goodbye.

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'P' is for PACKING. I can help with the bags.

It's also for PREPARING to say goodbye.



L' is for LEAVING on a bus, ship or plane.

It's also for LOVE because love holds us together.



'L' is also for LONELY, at first that's how I feel.



'O' is for OVERSEAS, where they often have to go.

It's also for OH wow! Look at where they go!



'Y' is for YES, they really have to go.

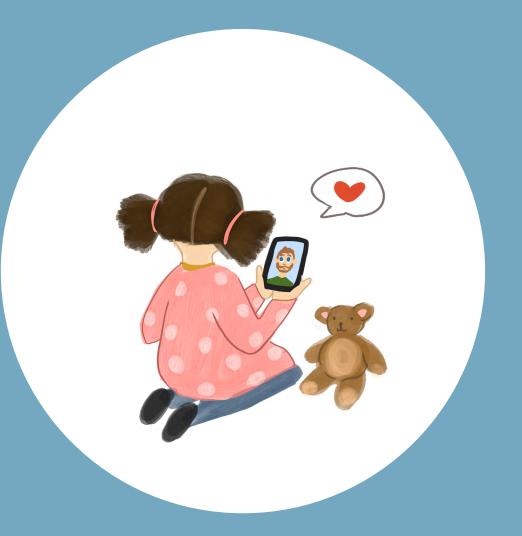
It's also for YEAR because I feel like it lasts that long.



'M' is for MISSING my parent when they leave but I know they miss me too.

It's also for MATURE, now I'm learning how to wait.

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'E' is for EXCITED, when I'm told they're coming home.

It's also for ECSTATIC now I'm counting down the days.



'N' is for NIGHT time, the last sleep is really here.

It's also for NEVER, morning never seems to come.

It is also for NERVOUS to see my parent after a long time.



'T' is for TERRIFIC, the day arrives at last!

It's also for TIME, to be together once again.



TIME is so precious when we're all together again.

We want TIME to stand still, as we come together and celebrate.



But TIME marches on and soon we'll say that word again.

That word that's always lurking, somewhere deep in our heads.



DEPLOYMENT seems to test us in every single way. But our family becomes stronger if we persevere each day.

