

Traveling with Children

On a Room to Read Project Visit

Thank you for taking your family on a Room to Read project visit!

Traveling throughout Room to Read countries with children can be very enlightening and rewarding. We created a list of tips based on other visits to help your family have the best possible experience.

Packing & Planning

- Though we advise adults to wear modest clothing that cover the knees and shoulders, children are welcome to wear shorts
- Pack snacks from home for long car rides and/or picky eaters
- Pack tissue paper and hand sanitizer for restroom stops during your visit
- Pack sunscreen as it can be harder to find in some of the places where we work
- Pack games, books, or other entertainment for long car rides
- Read about Room to Read's programs and watch <u>videos</u> as a family to help prepare you for what to expect
- Look online for fun activities and resources to help prepare your kids for the trip including crafts, a travel journal, and a list of reading and web-based resources. Room to Read's <u>Literacy Cloud</u> is a great place to explore new places and cultures through books!

Interacting with Room to Read Communities

- Learn how to say Hello and other simple phrases in the local language
- Bring photos from home to show the students you'll meet.
 This can help break the ice.
- Be open to playing local games, singing songs, and having fun with the students



After the Visit

- Talk with your kids about the experience.
 - What similarities and differences did they see between their lives and the lives of the local students?
 - What surprised them?
 - How will they look at their lives and education differently after the visit?
- Want to inspire your kids to support the great work that you are supporting through Room to Read? Consider starting a family <u>fundraiser</u> to raise money for Room to Read and help to spread the word about the importance of literacy and gender equality. Help ins pire your kids to make the world around them a be tter place. Bec a use no m atter h ow little they are, kids can make a big impact!

