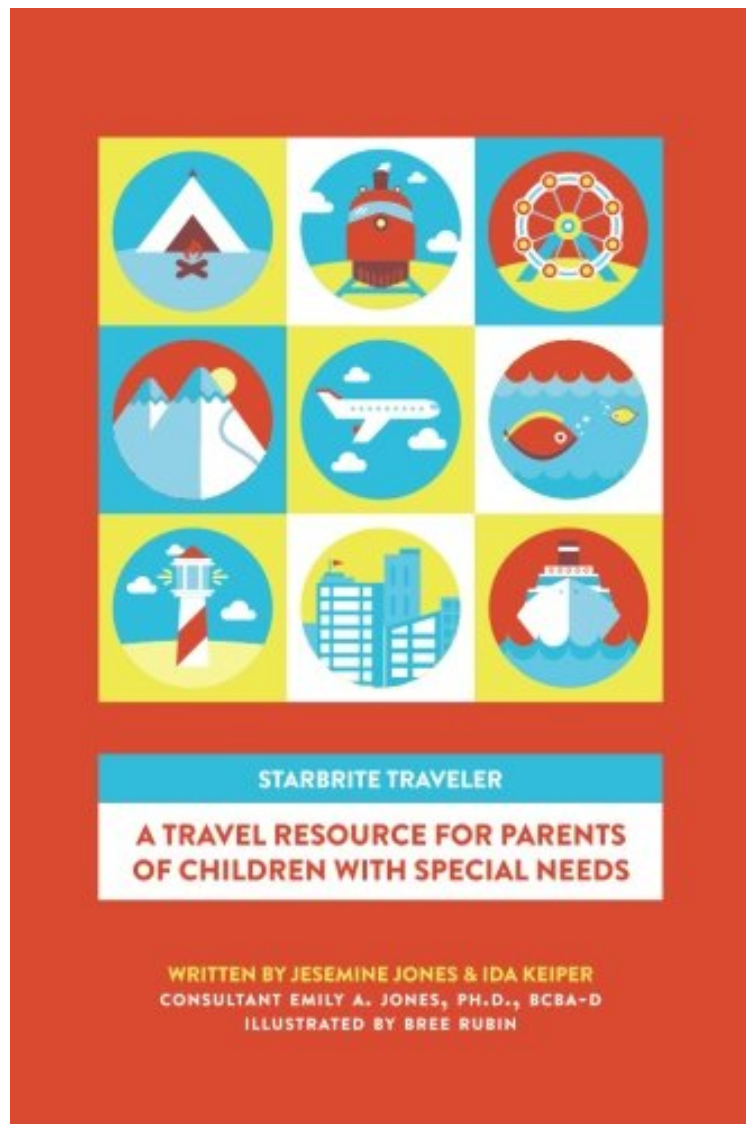


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well versed in the needs of this population and have brought their considerable expertise to the table. I have worked as a special educator and a social worker for 28 years. This book is ground breaking for families trying to negotiate their way through the process of traveling and more importantly fulfilling the dreams of their children. The book has excellent information for anyone who is traveling with a special need circumstance. The book has all the information a family could require in one portable and user friendly book. Bravo! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. starbrite traveler a travel resource for parents of children with special needs By RR johnstown ,pa A must read book. The information was very helpful to my family. As a mother of a special needs child I felt confident about traveling with my child. It was comforting to learn about the various places to visit and what to expect. I shared the book with my co workers ,cant wait to read the next book .0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. So helpful By game4x This book has so much information in it for every one traveling with special needs children, but also for special needs adults and children with out special needs. It is written so well with information that is current and easy to understand.

Starbrite Traveler: A Travel Resource for Parents of Children with Special Needs Starbrite Traveler is a groundbreaking illustrated guide that gives families a well-organized, confidence building, easy to read, travel resource. This guide holds the readers hand every step of the way, from dreaming about travel to arriving at their destination. Follow the 5 Ds of travel, Dream, Determine, Dry Run, Depart, and Destinations to plan an amazing trip for your family. **LEARN HOW YOU CAN: Plan the best vacation for everyone in your family Identify special provisions and accessibly for your child with special needs Teach and reinforce vacation safety with our illustrated activities Address challenging behaviors by applying evidenced based strategies Use checklists, questionnaires, worksheets and timelines to plan your trip**

From Kirkus sAn illustrated family-vacation planning and resource guide for parents of children with physical, developmental, and mental disabilities. In their debut work, Jones and Keiper, both special-education teachers, present insights gleaned from their teaching experience. Good planning is key, a process theyve broken down into the five Ds: Dream, imagine the kind of trip desired; Determine, figure out what special provisions will be needed; Dry Run, practice potentially difficult situations; Departure, draft a timeline and checklist; and Destination, list last-minute details, tips and reminders. The authors continually stress safety, and vignettes, tips, exercises and worksheets round out the book. Some of this advice is common sense for any traveler, but most is directly, thoughtfully targeted to disabled childrens needs, such as how to help a child with ADHD withstand long waits or an autistic child deal with changes in routine. If a child cant snorkel the usual way, an inflatable raft with a window is the way to go. Or, for blind children: Create an accessible map of the travel plan...by gluing string on a map outlining the route. A good tip for autism-spectrum children is the Autism Theatre Initiative, which presents Broadway shows in autism-friendly environments; spectrum kids can also greatly benefit from the books discussion on using stories to alleviate anxiety. The authors offer strategies for various common scenarios, such as making a picture scrapbook ahead of time for anxious children meeting unfamiliar relatives or, if safety is a concern, making a Pick the Safe Picture book for children to identify rule-following behavior. Kids should know what to expect and whats expected of them. Practical, doable and backed by evidence-based research, the guidelines and tips offered here make an excellent resource. An extremely useful, well-organized guide to planning a successful family vacation with special-needs children. About the Author Jesemine Jones and Ida Keiper are co-founders of the Starbrite Kids Program that specializes in planning travel for families with a child with special needs. They have 50 years of combined experience educating children with a broad spectrum of disabilities. Together, they have hosted workshops and participated in special needs conferences, published articles in magazines, as well as a series of articles online for Kidsville News! Ms. Jones earned a Masters of Social Work from Rutgers University as well as a B.A. in Special Education from Georgian Court University. She is currently a social worker in the New Jersey public school system. A former special education teacher, mental health therapist, lead counselor of a therapeutic foster care program, and team leader for an alternative high school for classified students, Ms. Jones has extensive experience working with children with special needs as well as their families. Ms. Jones lives in New Jersey with her husband and daughters. Ms. Keiper is dually certified as Teacher of the Handicapped and Elementary School Education. She earned a B.A. from Georgian Court University. Ms. Keiper, a highly qualified teacher educated children with disabilities for thirty years, wrote district curriculum for special education, coordinator of special education department in New Jersey public schools. Her compassion and professionalism earned her Teacher of the Year. Over the years Ms. Keiper has fostered close relationships with her students and parents. Ms. Keiper lives in New Jersey with her husband and two sons. Emily A. Jones, Ph. D, BCBA-D, is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychology at Queens College. Dr. Jones teaches courses in applied behavior analysis and developmental disabilities. She also provides training and technical assistance to families, school districts, and other service providers to support children with developmental disabilities in inclusive settings. Dr. Jones research involves the development and demonstration of interventions to address early emerging core deficits in young children with developmental disabilities such as autism and Down syndrome. Bree Rubin earned her

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