

## Back-to-School Kit

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*Prepare a kit for each of your students that includes the following items. Then give your students an explanation of the symbolism behind each item. Great opportunity to touch on symbolism in literature and movies.*

### **Rubber Band...**

to remind you of hugging and those times when you want to give a hug or want to receive one.

### **Tissue...**

to remind you to dry someone's tears (or perhaps your own so you can be the tears of others).

### **Button...**

to remind you "pick out" the good qualities of everyone- including you.

### **Band-Aid...**

to remind you of healing hurt feelings, either yours or someone else's.

### **Candy Kiss...**

to remind you that everyone needs a nice treat occasionally.

### **Gold Thread...**

to remind you that friendship is the golden thread that ties together the hearts of everyone.

### **Eraser...**

to remind you that everyone makes mistakes sometimes, and that's all right.

### **Lifesaver Candy...**

to remind you to think of me as YOUR "lifesaver." Whenever you need to talk, feel free to come and see me.

### **Mint...**

to remind you that you are worth a MINT to me!

Sincerely,

Your language arts teacher :)