

Shoe Box Christmas Gift Ideas

- 1) Start with a regular size shoe box, plastic container (shoe box size), or one of the OCC boxes
- 2) Pray for the child who will receive your box and for guidance packing.
- 3) Decide whether you will pack for a boy or a girl.
- 4) Choose age group: 2 - 4, 5 - 9, or 10 - 14
- 5) Begin! Be sure to include necessities and other items as God guides.
- 6) Include a letter if you wish. Keep praying.

School supplies

Ball point pens
Flash cards
Glue Sticks
Legal pad 8" x 5"
Calculator
Coloring book
Colored pencils
Compass
Crayons
Erasers
Index cards 3" x 5"
Memo books
Pencils
Pencil Case
Pencil Sharpeners*
Protractor
Ruler
Safety scissors
Sharpie type markers

Toys

Activity books
Ball and jacks
Balls
Books
Cars & trucks, small
Child card games
Dolls
Etch-a-sketch
Inflatable balls
Air pump
Jump rope
Legos (5 + yrs.)
Marbles 11
Paddle ball
Plastic or
rubber animals
Puzzles, small
Slinky
Spinning top, etc
Stuffed animals

Travel games
Yo-yo

Miscellaneous

Art supplies in
plastic containers
Baby items or baby
toys to share with
younger sibling
Bags
Band aids 10 - 15
Clay
Crafting kits
Fat Quarter bundles
(older girls)
Flashlights with
Extra batteries*
Hammer (older boy)
With pkg. nails
Key chains
New Testament
Notes
Rubber bands
Scotch tape
Screw driver (older)
Screws in pkg. (older)
Stationary
Stickers
Tape measure (older)
Travel sewing kits
(older girls)

Personal Items

Apron
Ball cap
Barrettes
Billfold
Blanket, small
Chap stick, small
Clothing Items

Cup/Plate/bowl--
unbreakable
Drawstring bag
Flip Flops
Hair scrunchies
Hair ribbons
Head scarf
Jewelry
Mirror unbreakable
Mittens, gloves
Purse, small
Rain Poncho
Ribbons
Shoe Strings
Spoon
Sun glasses
Stocking cap
Towels (small)
T-shirts, shorts
Tote bags
Umbrella
Watch

Musical

Harmonica
Recorder
Tambourine

Necessities

Bar of soap in
ziplock
Comb or brush
Tooth brush
Tooth paste
Wash cloth

Maybe's

Deoderant stick
Emery board
Gum
Hard candy in ziplock
Nail clippers

Socks
Tissues (sm. pkg.)
Underwear

Picture of you
Note/letter to child

Do Not Include

No scary things
No money
No dinosaurs
Nothing of war
No camouflage
Nothing that melts
No liquids
No snow globes
No food
No medicine
No glass



A, B, C's of Items to Pack in Shoe Boxes

Accessories for girls (bracelets, hair bands, necklaces, rings, barrettes)

Balls ~ (tennis balls, bouncy balls, footballs, soccer balls)

Crayons and coloring books

Dolls

Earrings

Flip flops

Gloves and scarves

Hammers, nails and other small tool sets for boys

Illustrated books

Jump ropes

Kids' clothing (rolled up t-shirts don't take up much room in a shoe box!)

Lollipops

Metal or wooden spoons

Noisemakers (harmonicas, whistles, horns - anything that makes noise!)

Outdoor toys (sand shovels, small Frisbees, swim goggles)

Pencils, pens and paper for school

Quick and easy kids' puzzles

Rubber band balls (make balls out of rubber bands)

Sunglasses

Toothbrushes and toothpaste

Underwear ~ all kids need new, clean underwear!

Visors and hats (baseball hats, ski hats or fun hats for kids to wear)

Washcloths and soap

eXtra batteries for flashlights or battery-operated toys

Yo-yos

Ziploc bags - kids can carry and store food and water in them