



Operation Christmas Child Suggested Gifts For Shoeboxes

Personal Care Items

- Comb
- Hairbrush
- Toothbrush **(no toothpaste)**
- Washcloth
- Bar soap (packaged and/or in a container)
- Adhesive bandages (Colorful ones can help a child be more willing to wear a bandage. **Do not include liquid antibiotic ointment.**)
- Reusable plastic containers: cup, water bottle, plate, bowl, blunt-edged utensils (Consider filling an empty container with non-liquid items such as hair bows, bracelets, sunglasses, or washcloths to maximize the space.)
- Blanket
- Non-liquid lip balm
- Flashlight (solar-powered or hand-crank; if battery operated, be sure to include extra batteries of the type needed)
- Compact mirror
- Nail clipper and file
- Stick deodorant

Clothing and Accessories

- Shirts and pants
- Pillowcase dress (loose-fitting sundress)
- Underwear
- Shoes and socks
- Flip-flops
- Hat/scarf/mittens
- Sunglasses
- Tote bag/purse
- Hair bows
- Friendship bracelets (woven with yarn or embroidery thread)

Crafts and Activities & School Supplies

- Pencils
- Small manual pencil sharpener
- Colored pencils
- Pencil case
- Crayons
- Markers
- Pens
- Coloring pads
- Coloring books
- Picture book
- Notebooks
- Glue stick (Do not include liquid glue.)
- Small adhesive tape
- Watercolor set [Finger paint palette/crayons/markers (non-liquid containers), paint brushes, canvas or paper]
- Make-it-yourself craft items or kit
- Playdough (Consider adding plastic cookie cutters as non-sharp utensils the child can use with the playdough.)
- Chalkboard and chalk
- Binoculars
- Tool set
- Compass
- Blank index cards
- Solar-powered calculator
- Safety (blunt tip) scissors
- Ruler
- Protractor
- Sewing kit, fabric (1-2 yards), and ribbon
- Laminated decorative pictures with looped ribbon attached as a picture hanger
- Gardening kit with gloves and trowel hand tool (Do not include gardening seeds.)
- Tool set with work gloves



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- Fishing kit
- Brightly colored rope or twine
- Magnets

TOYS

- Foam ball
- Kickball (Make sure to include a manual air pump so that the ball can be reinflated.)
- Tennis ball
- Costume items to play dress-up, such as crowns and costume jewelry
- Yo-yo
- Small Frisbee
- Small kite
- Baseball and mitt
- Tennis ball
- Plastic dinosaurs, animals, action figures (nothing war-related)
- Hacky sack
- Kaleidoscope
- Marbles
- Playing cards
- Puzzles
- Building blocks
- Stickers
- Skipping rope/jump rope
- Finger puppets
- Slinky
- Etch A Sketch
- Play cars/trucks/boats
- Plastic tools
- Interactive toys that include push buttons, lights, noise (include extra batteries)