



SHOEBOX GIFT SUGGESTIONS

Girl  Age 2-4

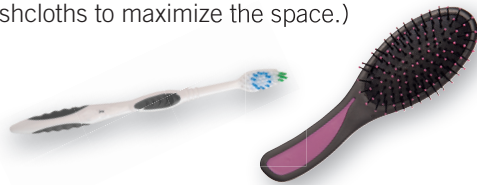
A “WOW” ITEM

- Doll
- Soccer ball (Make sure to include a manual air pump.)
- Stuffed animal
- An outfit of clothing to wear
- Small musical instrument (such as a harmonica or woodwind recorder)



PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- Comb
- Hairbrush
- Toothbrush
- Washcloth
- 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



CLOTHING & 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 & ACTIVITIES

- 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.)
- Stickers
- Skipping rope/Jump rope



TOYS

- Foam ball
- Kickball (Make sure to include a manual air pump.)
- Finger puppets
- Slinky
- Small kite
- Etch a Sketch®
- Interactive toys that include push buttons, lights, noise (include extra batteries)





SHOEBOX GIFT SUGGESTIONS

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PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- Comb
- Hairbrush
- Toothbrush
- Washcloth
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- Reusable plastic containers: cup, water bottle, plate, bowl, blunt-edged utensils (Consider filling an empty container with non-liquid items such as combs, markers, sunglasses, or washcloths to maximize the space.)
- Blanket



CLOTHING & ACCESSORIES

- Shirts and pants
- Underwear
- Shoes and socks
- Flip-flops
- Hat/scarf/mittens
- Sunglasses



CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES

- 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.)
- Stickers
- Building blocks



TOYS

- Foam ball
- Kickball (Make sure to include a manual air pump so that the ball can be reinflated.)
- Tennis ball
- Finger puppets
- Slinky
- Etch A Sketch®
- Play cars/trucks/boats
- Plastic tools
- Plastic dinosaurs
- Interactive toys that include push buttons, lights, noise (include extra batteries)





SHOEBOX GIFT SUGGESTIONS

Girl  Age 5-9

A "WOW" ITEM

- Doll
- Soccer ball (Make sure to include a manual air pump.)
- Stuffed animal
- An outfit of clothing to wear
- Small musical instrument (such as a harmonica or woodwind recorder)
- Backpack



PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- Comb
- Hairbrush
- Toothbrush
- Washcloth
- 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)



CLOTHING & ACCESSORIES

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



CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES

- Coloring Books
- Watercolor Set [Finger paint palette/crayons/markers (non-liquid containers), paint brushes, canvas or paper]
- Make-it-yourself craft items or kit
- Puzzles
- Playdough (Consider adding plastic cookie cutters as non-sharp utensils the child can use with the playdough.)
- Stickers
- Chalkboard and chalk
- Binoculars
- Skipping rope/Jump rope



SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Pencils
- Small manual pencil sharpener
- Erasers
- Colored pencils
- Pencil case
- Pens
- Crayons
- Markers
- Notebooks
- Blank index cards
- Solar-powered calculator
- Safety (blunt tip) scissors
- Ruler
- Protractor
- Glue stick (Do not include liquid glue.)
- Small adhesive tape



TOYS

- Foam ball
- Kickball (Make sure to include a manual air pump so that the ball can be reinflated.)
- Costume items to play dress-up, such as crowns and costume jewelry
- Plastic toy figures
- Yo-yo
- Small Frisbee
- Small kite
- Etch A Sketch®





SHOEBOX GIFT SUGGESTIONS

Boy  Age 5-9

A "WOW" ITEM

- Soccer ball (Make sure to include a manual air pump.)
- Toy truck or boat
- Stuffed animal
- An outfit of clothing to wear
- Small musical instrument (such as a harmonica or woodwind recorder)
- Backpack



PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- Comb
- Hairbrush
- Toothbrush
- Washcloth
- 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 combs, markers, 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)



CLOTHING & ACCESSORIES

- Shirts and pants
- Underwear
- Shoes and socks
- Flip-flops
- Hat/scarf/mittens
- Wrist watch
- Sunglasses



CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES

- Puzzles
- Binoculars
- Compass
- Chalkboard and chalk
- Tool set with work gloves
- Fishing kit
- Brightly colored rope or twine
- Gardening kit with gloves and trowel (no seeds)
- Magnets
- Kaleidoscope
- Skipping rope/Jump rope
- Playing cards
- Marbles



SCHOOL SUPPLIES

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- Crayons
- Markers
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- Ruler
- Protractor
- Glue stick (Do not include liquid glue.)
- Small adhesive tape



TOYS

- Foam ball
- Kickball (Make sure to include a manual air pump so that the ball can be reinflated.)
- Baseball and mitt
- Tennis ball
- Yo-yo
- Small Frisbee
- Small kite
- Hacky sack
- Toy cars
- Etch a Sketch®





SHOEBOX GIFT SUGGESTIONS

Girl  Age 10-14

A "WOW" ITEM

- Doll
- Soccer ball (Make sure to include a manual air pump.)
- Stuffed animal
- An outfit of clothing to wear
- Small musical instrument (such as a harmonica or woodwind recorder)
- Backpack



PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- Comb
- Hairbrush
- Toothbrush
- Washcloth
- 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.)
- Non-liquid lip balm
- Flashlight (solar-powered or hand-crank; if battery operated, be sure to include extra batteries)
- Compact mirror
- Nail clipper and file
- Stick deodorant
- Washable/reusable cloth menstrual pads



CLOTHING & ACCESSORIES

- Shirts and pants
- Pillowcase dress (loose-fitting sundress)
- Underwear
- Shoes and socks
- Flip-flops
- Hat/scarf/mittens
- Wrist watch
- Sunglasses
- Tote bag/purse
- Bead jewelry/bead kit
- Hair accessories (clips, ribbons, elastic hair bands, etc.)



CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES

- Puzzles
- Binoculars
- Compass
- Chalkboard and chalk
- 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.)
- Playing cards
- Skipping rope/Jump rope



SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Pencils
- Small manual pencil sharpener
- Erasers
- Colored pencils
- Pencil case
- Pens
- Crayons
- Markers
- Notebooks
- Blank index cards
- Solar-powered calculator
- Safety (blunt tip) scissors
- Ruler
- Protractor
- Glue stick (Do not include liquid glue.)
- Small adhesive tape



TOYS

- Foam ball
- Kickball (Make sure to include a manual air pump.)
- Yo-yo
- Small Frisbee
- Small kite
- Etch a Sketch®
- Kaleidoscope
- Marbles





SHOEBOX GIFT SUGGESTIONS

Boy  Age 10-14

A “WOW” ITEM

- Soccer ball/football (Make sure to include a manual air pump so that the ball can be reinflated.)
- Toy truck or boat
- Stuffed animal
- An outfit of clothing to wear
- Small musical instrument (such as a harmonica or woodwind recorder)
- Backpack



PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- Comb
- Hairbrush
- Toothbrush
- Washcloth
- 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 combs, markers, 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)
- Nail clipper and file
- Stick deodorant



CLOTHING & ACCESSORIES

- Shirts and pants
- Underwear
- Shoes and socks
- Flip-flops
- Wrist watch
- Hat/scarf/mittens
- Sunglasses
- Bandana



CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES

- Puzzles
- Binoculars
- Compass
- Chalkboard and chalk
- Tool set with work gloves
- Fishing kit
- Brightly colored rope or twine
- Gardening kit with gloves and trowel (no seeds)
- Magnets
- Kaleidoscope
- Skipping rope/Jump rope
- Playing cards
- Marbles



SCHOOL SUPPLIES

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- Small manual pencil sharpener
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- Ruler
- Protractor
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- Small adhesive tape



TOYS

- Foam ball
- Kickball (Make sure to include a manual air pump.)
- Baseball and mitt
- Tennis ball
- Yo-yo
- Small Frisbee
- Small kite
- Hacky sack
- Toy cars





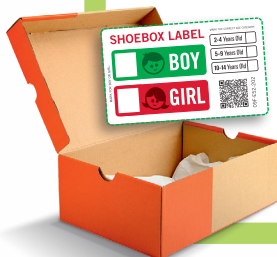
How to Pack Your Shoebox Gift

As you prayerfully prepare to pack your shoebox gift, please remember that your shoebox gift will be an expression of God's love to a child. In fact, it may be the only gift the child receives. So, plan to pack quality items that will last, **and don't forget to make it FUN!**

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SHOEBOX

Get a standard size shoebox to pack for a boy or girl. Need shoeboxes? Great preprinted boxes are available on our website.



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PRAY

Most importantly, **pray** for the child who will receive your gift. Include a personal note and photo to delight the heart of the child.



2

"WOW" ITEM

Select a quality **"wow"** toy such as a doll, soccer ball with pump, or stuffed animal to bless a child.



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DONATE \$10 PER BOX

A donation of **\$10** per box is critical to cover shipping and other project costs. For easiest processing you can give online. If you use our **Follow Your Box** feature online, you can also discover the destination of your shoebox!



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OTHER GIFTS

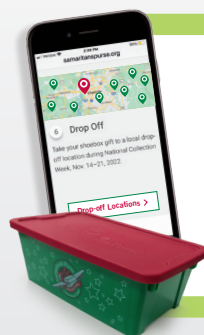
Pack full with other fun toys, hygiene items, and school supplies.



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DROP OFF

Take your shoebox gift to a local drop-off location during **National Collection Week, the third week in November**. Visit our website to find one near you.



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Shoebox Gift Suggestions

"WOW" ITEM

- Soccer ball with pump
- Doll
- Stuffed animal
- Shoes



TOYS

- Toy cars
- Jump ropes
- Yo-yos
- Toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries)



PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- Toothbrushes
- Washcloths
- Combs
- Hairbrushes



SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Pens, pencils, sharpeners, crayons, and markers
- Notebooks and paper
- Coloring and picture books
- Solar calculators



ACCESSORIES

- Socks
- Sunglasses
- Jewelry and watches
- Flashlights (with extra batteries)



DO NOT INCLUDE

candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; scary or war-related items; seeds; food; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items or glass containers; aerosol cans

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A New Beginning for Génesis



In the mountains of Ecuador, 8-year-old Génesis was invited to an Operation Christmas Child outreach event by her cousin. There she heard the Gospel of Jesus Christ clearly presented and was surprised with her first gift ever—a shoebox filled with a stuffed animal, doll, and her favorite toys. Even “the box itself made me very happy,” said Génesis.

At the event, she also accepted Jesus Christ into her heart! “I have a new friend,” said Génesis. “I am happy for the opportunity I had to come here. I have learned about God and received a shoebox. He is my Savior.”

Génesis went home and told her mother, who was sick with COVID-19, about Jesus. As a result, both of her parents came to faith in Christ! The family was also grateful to God for her mother's full recovery.

Génesis went on to participate in The Greatest Journey, the follow-up discipleship program designed especially for shoebox recipients, where she learned more about following Christ and sharing Him with others.

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SHOEBOX GIFT IDEAS



"WOW" ITEM

- Soccer ball with pump
- Doll
- Stuffed animal
- Shoes

TOYS

- Toy cars
- Jump ropes
- Yo-yos
- Toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries)



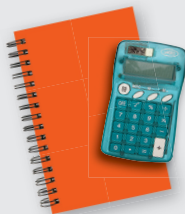
PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- Toothbrushes
- Washcloths
- Combs
- Hairbrushes



SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Pens, pencils, sharpeners, crayons, and markers
- Notebooks and paper
- Coloring and picture books
- Solar calculators



ACCESSORIES

- Socks
- Sunglasses
- Jewelry and watches
- Flashlights (with extra batteries)



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"Through your prayers

and generosity, we're sending the Gospel to the ends of the earth! Be sure to make your shoebox gift unique and include a letter and photo—those personal touches can mean so much to a child."

—Franklin Graham,
President, Samaritan's Purse