

How to Pack a Shoe Box Gift

1 SHOE BOX
Use an empty shoe box (standard size, please) or a small plastic container. You can wrap the box (lid separately), but wrapping is not required.

PRAY for the child who will receive your special gift.

2 BOY OR GIRL?
Determine whether your gift will be for a boy or a girl, and the child's age category: 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14. Use the appropriate boy/girl label from this brochure. Mark the correct age category on the label, and tape the label to the top of your box. If you need additional labels, make photocopies or download from our Web site.

3 FILL WITH GIFTS
Fill the box with a variety of gifts that will bring delight to a child.

Use the Gift Ideas List 

4 INCLUDE YOUR DONATION
Please donate **\$7** or more for each shoe box you prepare to help cover shipping and other project costs. You can use the donation envelope (attached) or you can give online through our EZ Give method. If you or your family are preparing more than one shoe box, please make one combined donation.

It's easy and convenient to give online.
Go to www.samaritanspurse.org, and look for our EZ Give button.

5 DROP OFF
Place a rubber band around each closed shoe box and drop off at the Collection Center nearest you in mid-November.

For locations and dates, call 1-800-353-5949, or visit www.samaritanspurse.org.

You can also send your shoe box gift to:
Samaritan's Purse/Operation Christmas Child,
801 Bamboo Road, Boone, NC 28607



Gift Ideas:

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

pens, pencils and sharpener, crayons or markers, stamps and ink pad sets, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.

TOYS

small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, small Etch A Sketch®, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky®, etc.

HYGIENE ITEMS

toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar soap (in a plastic bag), comb, washcloth, etc.

OTHER

Hard candy and lollipops (please double bag all candy), mints, gum, T-shirts, socks, ball caps, sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries)

A PERSONAL NOTE

In a separate envelope, you may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family. (If you include your name and address, the child may write back.)

Do Not Include:

Used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures; chocolate or food; out-of-date candy; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snowglobes or glass containers; aerosol cans

Shoe Box Labels

Cut out the appropriate label and tape it on top of your shoe box gift. If you need additional labels, make photocopies or download from www.samaritanspurse.org.

Mark the correct age category:

	2-4 Years Old
	5-9 Years Old
	10-14 Years Old



BOY



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GIRL

