How to Pack Your Shoebox Gift

Your shoebox will be an expression of God's love to a child and may be the only gift he or she receives. So plan to pack quality items that will last. Be sure to make them **FUN**, adding a "wow" item the child will love; **FULL**, with no empty space; and **PERSONALIZED** so that each is unique, prayed over, and includes a note of encouragement.

1 SHOEBOX

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

4 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

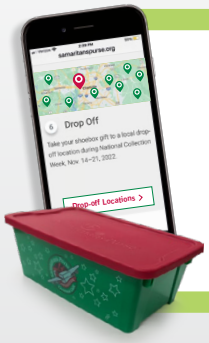
Select a quality **"wow"** toy such as a doll, soccer ball with pump, or stuffed animal to bless a child.

5 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!

3 OTHER GIFTS

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



6 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
- Musical Instrument

TOYS

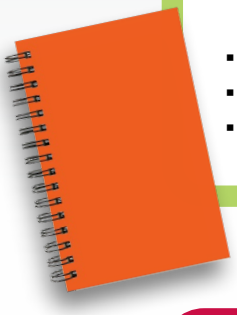
- Toy cars
- Jump ropes
- Yo-yos
- Toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries)

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

soap, 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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