

how to pack your shoebox gift

Operation Christmas Child is the world's largest children's Christmas project, run by the Christian relief and development organisation Samaritan's Purse.

Our mission is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to needy children around the world, and together with the local church worldwide, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ.

How to pack your shoebox

Wrap an empty shoebox (average size) and lid separately. We also offer decorative GO boxes for your church or group to fill with gifts. Visit www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk for details. Most importantly, pray for the child who will receive your gift.

Decide if your gift is for a Boy or a Girl and to send me around the world! which age category, then fill your shoebox with new gifts that will delight a child, your £3 donation and secure it with an elastic band.

Take it to your nearest Drop Off Point

Our UK based volunteers help to send it overseas

Our in-country partners (often local churches) give out your shoebox

We always give shoeboxes to children based on need, regardless of their background or religious beliefs. It's an unconditional gift of love.

Where appropriate, with each shoebox, our church partners may offer a little booklet of Bible stories. They may also invite children receiving shoeboxes to join a discipleship course called The Greatest Journey. This is a 'no strings attached' programme and participation is with the consent of their parent or guardian.

Gift Suggestions

Please fill your box with a selection from the following or similar items. All gifts should be new.

TOYS Include items that children will immediately embrace such as dolls, toy trucks, stuffed animals (with CE label), harmonicas, yo-yos, skipping ropes, balls, small puzzles etc.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES Pens, pencils and sharpeners, crayons or felt pens, stamps and ink pad sets, writing pads or notebooks and paper, solar calculators, colouring and picture books etc.

HYGIENE ITEMS Toothbrush and toothpaste, bar of wrapped soap, comb or hairbrush, flannel,

OTHER ITEMS Hat, cap, gloves or scarf, sunglasses, hair accessories, jewellery set, wind up torch, wrapped sweets (sell by date must be at least March of the following year).

You can also enclose a note or greetings card to the child and a photo of yourself or your family.

DO NOT INCLUDE used or damaged items, war related items such as toy guns, play soldiers or knives; chocolate or other food items; liquids or lotions of any type including bubbles; medicines; hand made or knitted stuffed toys; anything of a political, racial or religious nature; marbles or sharp objects; glass containers, mirrors or fragile items; clothing other than as listed above.

2-4 Years Old

5-9 Years Old

WHERE YOUR SHOEBOX WENT. GO TO WWW.OPERATIONCHRISTMASCHILD.ORG.UK TO DONATE NOW.

IF YOU CAN'T, THEN PLEASE COMPLETE YOUR DETAILS BELOW AND ENCLOSE THIS ENVELOPE IN YOUR SHOEBOX.







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