



## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

1. Use the provided gift box or any shoebox-sized container (approximately 12" long x 6" wide x 4" tall).
2. If possible, remove items from original packaging to limit waste in the receiving countries.
3. **Please do not put monetary donations in the gift boxes.** Go online to **boxofjoy.org** to make your \$9 donation for each gift box **or scan the QR code to pay.**
4. If needed, secure the lid to your gift box with a single rubber band (please do not tape the gift box).



# GIFT IDEAS

## PERSONAL NOTES & PHOTOS

Children who receive Box of Joy gifts love it when you enclose a personal note or a handmade Christmas card and share a photo of yourself or your family. (It is advisable for parents or teachers to review notes written by children.)

### TOYS

#### Ball (deflated) with pump\*

Balloons  
Binoculars  
Cars or trucks  
Craft kit (beads, elastic, etc.)

#### Doll\*

Finger puppets  
Handheld toys  
Harmonica, kazoo or other small instrument  
Jump rope  
Lego building blocks  
Mini board games  
Mini puzzle  
Small balls (tennis, etc.)

#### Small plush animals\*

Slinky  
Unopened fast-food toys  
Yo-yo

### SCHOOL SUPPLIES

#### Coloring book\*

#### Crayons\*

Erasers  
Flash cards  
Glue stick (no liquid)  
Notepads  
Pencil case  
Pencil sharpener  
Pencils, colored pencils  
Pens, markers  
Safety scissors  
Small board books  
Solar calculator  
Stickers

### CANDY & GUM

Unexpired candy that will not melt, sealed in a zip closure style bag

### APPAREL

Bandanas

#### Dresses\*

Flip-flops  
Hats  
Plastic poncho  
Socks  
Shorts  
T-shirts\*  
Underwear

### NECESSITIES/HOME

Bandages  
Comb or brush  
Cup or bottle with lid\*  
Hand wipes  
Lip balm  
Manicure kit  
Nail clippers or emery board  
Toothbrush\*

### ACCESSORIES

Barrettes  
Bracelets  
Earrings  
Hair bands or headbands\*  
Hair ribbons\*  
Necklace\*  
Purse or wallet\*  
Scarf  
Sunglasses\*  
Watch

### USEFUL ITEMS

Cross or rosary  
Compass  
Drawstring bag\*  
Sewing kit  
Utensils

\*Highly desired items.

## PLEASE DO NOT PACK

Liquids/gels (shampoo, body wash, lotion, toothpaste, nail polish, hand sanitizer, bubbles, paint, glue, soap, perfume, etc.)  
Food (anything with an expiration date) or beverages • Chocolate or JOLLY RANCHER® • Medicine or vitamins  
Anything with a battery • Knives, tools or toy weapons • Glass or breakable objects • Cash, checks or gift cards

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