

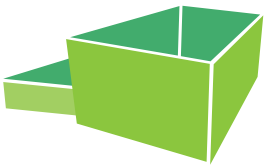
How to Pack Your Shoebox



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START WITH A SHOEBOX



- Use any shoebox with a lid no larger than A4
- OR
- Order pre-printed shoeboxes at operationchristmaschild.org.au/resources

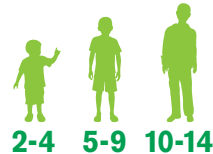
REMEMBER TO REMOVE & RECYCLE GIFT PACKAGING.
Help save the environment!



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PACK YOUR SHOEBOX

CHOOSE GIRL OR BOY AND AGE



PACK GIFTS



Stuck for ideas?
Gift suggestions below.

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ESSENTIAL!

DONATE \$9 PER SHOEBOX

ONLINE DONATIONS: (PREFERRED)

Go to operationchristmaschild.org.au/shoebboxdonations to donate.
A barcoded label for each shoebox will be emailed to you.

CASH OR CHEQUE DONATIONS:

If not donating online, complete the form in the 'How to Pack Your Shoebox' brochure and place with your cash or cheque in an envelope inside your box.



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essential to cover
project costs

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LABEL YOUR SHOEBOXES



PRINT AND ATTACH LABELS:

- Every shoebox must be labelled.
- Do not photocopy barcoded labels or the barcode will not scan.
- For non-trackable labels, go to operationchristmaschild.org.au/resources.

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FIND YOUR NEAREST DROP OFF POINT

In **OCtober**, find your nearest Drop Off Point:

operationchristmaschild.org.au/dops

OR

operationchristmaschild.org.nz/dops

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Social Media



Like our Operation Christmas Child Facebook page and join a community of our supporters.
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Follow our Pinterest page for creative ideas on what to pack in your shoebox.
pinterest.com/occschoebox

Gift Suggestions

- ✓ **SOMETHING TO WEAR:** t-shirt, polo shirt, shorts, skirt, cap, beanie, sandals, etc.
- ✓ **SOMETHING TO LOVE:** teddy bear, doll, soft toy, etc.
- ✓ **SOMETHING SPECIAL:** carry bag, sunglasses, bangles, stickers, necklaces, craft kits, wind-up torch, a personal note, a photo of yourself, etc.
- ✓ **SOMETHING FOR SCHOOL:** exercise book, pencil case, pens, pencils, colouring pencils, sharpener, eraser, chalk, etc.
- ✓ **SOMETHING TO PLAY WITH:** tennis ball, cars, skipping rope, marbles, musical instrument, yo-yo, slinky, finger puppets, etc.
- ✓ **SOMETHING FOR PERSONAL HYGIENE:** soap and face washer, toothbrush, hairbrush, comb, scrunchies, hair-clips, etc.

Prohibited Items

- ✗ **ITEMS THAT LEAK OR MELT:** (these can spoil boxes) including toothpaste, shampoo, bubbles and plasticine/play dough
- ✗ **FOOD OR LOLLIES OF ANY KIND:** (due to customs regulations) including medicines and vitamins
- ✗ **USED OR DAMAGED ITEMS:** (due to customs regulations) including worn clothing and old toys
- ✗ **BREAKABLE ITEMS:** including glass, porcelain and mirrors
- ✗ **ITEMS THAT CAN SCARE OR HARM A CHILD:** including halloween, war or pirate-related items such as toy guns, knives, military figures or skull and crossbones
- ✗ **GAMBLING-RELATED ITEMS:** including play money, playing cards and dominoes
- ✗ **RELIGIOUS LITERATURE:** including tracts and Bibles

These items are prohibited to protect children or to comply with overseas government and customs restraints.

