

# Operation Christmas Child Monthly Shoebox List for ages 5-9

MAR - "Wow" Items

APR - Personal Care Items

MAY - School Supplies

JUNE - Clothing & Accessories

JULY - Toys

AUG - Crafts & Activities

SEPT - Clothing & Accessories

OCT - Items still needed

*Please remember the size of a shoebox when purchasing items.  
Clothing sizes S, M, L, XL youth*

## "WOW" ITEMS

- doll
- stuffed animal
- outfit of clothing: boy or girl (S, M, L youth)
- nylon drawstring bag
- small tool set
- small sewing kit
- costume/dress up
- costume jewelry
- small lego sets
- flashlight (hand crank, solar powered, or battery operated)

## PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- comb/hairbrush
- toothbrush (no paste)
- washcloth/bar soap
- tissue packs
- fun adhesive bandages
- reusable eating utensils/small plastic cup
- manicure kits
- chapstick

## SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- small adhesive tape
- zipper pencil case
- pencils/sharpeners
- erasers
- small notebooks
- solar-powered calculator
- blank index cards
- safety scissors
- ruler
- glue stick

## CLOTHING & ACCESSORIES

- shirts/pants/shorts/loose sundress
- wrist watch
- underwear/socks
- sunglasses
- tote bag or purse
- friendship bracelet
- hair ties/clips/bows
- scarf/hat/gloves
- ball cap/bandana
- flip flops/slippers

## TOYS

- foam/tennis ball
- hacky sack
- plastic dinosaurs, animals, toy figures (no war figurines)
- yo-yo
- small frisbee
- small etch-a-sketch
- balloons
- matchbox cars
- silly putty/play-doh
- jump rope
- deck of cards
- travel size checkers, etc.

## CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES

- small coloring books
- crayons/colored pencils
- small puzzles
- stickers
- jump rope
- chalkboard & chalk
- glue sticks
- watercolor paint set
- harmonica





## ADDITIONAL TIPS THAT MAY HELP:

- Pack bar soap in a plastic travel soap container and then place in a plastic bag or wrap with plastic wrap.
- Remove packaging from your items to allow for more room in the shoebox and they don't have as much trash to throw away.
- Don't send anything that has directions/writing in English (i.e. toys with instructions, games that require kids to read English.) Since these boxes go to non-English speaking countries, it's worth only including things that are understood internationally.



### Do Not Include

**DO NOT INCLUDE:** Candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures; chocolate or food; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.