## SUGGESTED STATIONERY FOR **YOUR SANTA SHOEBOX**

### WHAT TO PUT IN YOUR SANTA SHOEBOX

# **HOW TO PACK YOUR** SANTA SHOEBOX

This is a suggested list of stationery items/educational supplies by age and grade. Your recipient child would really appreciate a few of these items in his/her shoebox.

Gr R and Gr 1 (ages : 4/5/6 years): plastic aprons, Moni Ami plastic pencils, triangular pencils (in regular and colours), 24/36/48 piece puzzle, pencil cravons/wax cravons, blunt nose scissors, colour paper, glue sticks, white craft glue, lunch box (which you can fill with goodies), water bottle, denim chair bag, blank page A5 book for colouring/ drawing, a miniature whiteboard with an erasable pen, or a blackboard with chalk - (something they can practice letters or numbers on and rub out.) For grade 1's in particular - 100 piece puzzles, HB pencils, pencil bag, metal sharpener.

Gr 2 (age 7/8 years); denim chair bag, glue sticks. HB pencils, kokis, metal

sharpeners, large pencil bags, pencil crayons, plastic sleeves, ruler, blunt nose scissors, eraser, water bottle, lunch box.

Grade 3 (age 8/9 years): South African Oxford School Dictionary, Oil pastels, glue sticks, coloured card stock, HB pencils, kokis, metal sharpeners, large pencil bags, pencil crayons, plastic sleeves, ruler, scissors, eraser, water bottle, lunch box.

Grade 4 (ages 9/10): same as grade 3 as well as a calculator

Grade 5 (ages 10/11): same as grade 4 as well as blue ball point pens and highlighters.

Grade 6 and 7 (ages 11/12/13); same as grade 5 as well as a geometry set, colourful book covers, homework diary

Grade 8 -12 (ages 13 to 18 years): same as grade 7 as well as a scientific calculator (SSB doesn't mind if it is a battery operated one as long as you don't mind including a few batteries.)



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All items should be new and age-appropriate.

#### TOYS - Something to love

Soft toy, tennis ball, finger puppet, yo-yo, building blocks, trucks and cars, doll, dress-up clothes etc.

#### **EDUCATIONAL SUPPLIES** - Something to do

Felt pens, pens, pencil sharpener, rubber, coloring book, notepad, picture/puzzle book, pencil case, stickers etc. (see our suggested stationerv list)

#### HYGIENE ITEMS - Something to use

Toothbrush & toothpaste, bar of wrapped soap & wash cloth, hairbrush, comb, hair clips, roll-on deodorant or spray on, talcum powder, sanitary towels (for our teens), etc.

#### **CLOTHING ITEMS - Something to wear**

T-shirt, shorts, dress, pyjamas, etc. (Consider an added extra too like gloves, scarf, sunglasses, cap, hat, bangles, necklaces, clip-on earrings, make-up or hair accessories etc.)

#### SUGAR AND SPICE - Something to eat

Sweets (Sell-by date to be at least March of the following year - preferably softer sweets - wine gums, sours etc.)

#### BABY BOX - Something for the voungest

Barrier cream/talcum powder, baby soap, item of clothing, bath towel/ baby blanket, soft toy, toy/rattle.

### **TEENAGE BOX** - Something for our teenagers

All of the above plus something cool e.g. cap, sunglasses, toiletries, nail polish, make-up, deodorant (the teens LOVE spray-on), etc.

Please DO NOT include any of the following in your boxes for obvious reasons:

- FOOD: Tinned food, cakes, perishable food
- MEDICINE: Medicines or vitamins of any kind
- WAR RELATED ITEMS: Toy guns or knives
- FRAGILE ITEMS: Glass containers, mirrors

- LIQUIDS: Of any kind, including shampoo, bubble bath. All other liquids like aerosols or blow bubbles must be put into a ziplock plastic bag, so that contents cannot leak out.

- DANGEROUS ITEMS: Such as marbles or sharp objects
- ELECTRONICS: Cell phones or battery operated toys
- LASTLY: Anything of a political, religious or racial nature



We all have shoe boxes around the house or know someone who will kindly give us one. Shoe stores usually have empty boxes to give away. Boxes larger than MEDIUM (running shoes) size might not be accepted.

#### Decorate the shoebox

Find an empty shoebox

Wrap the shoe box AND please wrap the lid separately so that it can be lifted off (or flipped open). Be creative and instead of using conventional wrapping paper, decorate the box with drawings, paint, cut outs and stickers. By doing this, you are creating a unique "keep sake" box while at the same time, minimizing waste from wrapping paper that will only just be discarded.

#### Fill the box with gifts

Please remember that these should be NEW and AGE-APPROPRIATE items. PEP Stores is our one-stopshop for all Santa Shoebox contents.

The following items are required:

- Toothpaste and tooth brush
- Bar of soap and wash cloth
- An outfit of clothing
- Educational supplies
- Sweets
- A toy/special gift



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Double check the WHAT NOT TO PUT IN YOUR SANTA SHOFBOX list.

#### Some final thoughts



- Label your box by printing the filled in labels that have been emailed to you after you registered and sticking these on the outside of the lid, top right hand corner. Add sticky tape to ensure the label is secure

- Close the box by securing the lid with an elastic band, and DO NOT seal the box as boxes are spot checked to ensure it meets all requirements.

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