

The following two pages provide a brief description of recommended toys followed by a chart on page 50 to help you decide which toys will be most appropriate for your child. The charts on pages 51-52 gives contact information for suppliers of each toy.

Dress-Up Costumes:

Disguise Kit – Silly glasses, fake noses, big ears and more to draw your child's focus to your face.

Face Paints – Non-toxic, washable, bright colors will make you fun to look at.

Multi-horned Hat – Fun to look at, feel and wear.

Wizard Hat – Draws attention to your face and can be used for imaginative play.

Black Cape – Another item with multiple dress-up possibilities.*

Fireman Suit – Useful in many imaginary scenarios.

Musical Instruments:

Harmonicas – Easy to play, fun to listen to and encourages oral motor development.

Bucket Drum – For playing rhythms, sitting on, climbing in, making into boats - the possibilities are endless when you use your imagination!

Drum Sticks – Solid wood, well padded, with soft felt to allow banging on many different objects without causing damage.

Rhythm Kit – A collection of various percussion instruments to make your own band!

Sports / Gross Motor & Sensory Development:

30-inch Exercise Ball – We recommend 2 of them for bouncing, rolling, throwing and making into airplanes, etc.

Huggy Balls – A soccer ball, basketball and football, all small enough to be caught by little hands and soft enough to be gentle on your windows.

Bowling Game – Soft, squishy pins and ball for practicing hand-eye coordination and many other imaginative purposes. (They make excellent ice cream cones!)

Rip-Tag (youth or adult sizes) – Velcro bands with colored flags for tag-based games. Tags are made of durable fabric for high energy chasing and physical play that can be both interactive and imaginative.

Luna Stick – Fun higher-level physical game to help with hand-eye coordination and attention span.

Bubbles – These bubbles are non-drip, non-spill—perfect for giving control without creating slippery floors!

Chew Toys – For oral motor development and sensory stimulation.

Props for Imaginative Play:

Brick Blocks – Large, sturdy cardboard “bricks” for construction of whatever you can imagine.

“Phone-a-Friend” – Long, durable, flexible tube with wooden “handsets” for phone calls, vacuum cleaning, putting out fires, etc.!

Jumbo Letters and Numbers – Large, colored, textured letters and numbers.

Toddle Tots School Bus – Yellow school bus complete with movable, durable plastic passengers.

Big-Mouth Puppets - The cow and dog puppets have large mouths, operated by your hand, meaning they can be used to pick up and throw objects, squeeze, tickle and kiss your child and many other creative ways to get your child interested in you. They can also be used to model the power of language to your child—the frog says “tickle” and gets his tummy tickled!

Finger Puppets – Set of puppets representing various roles (i.e. doctor, nurse, dentist, farmer, etc.) for imaginative play.

Bendo People – A family of 5 figurines, complete with cat and dog, which can be molded into various positions.

Tea set – Brightly colored plastic set for imaginative entertaining.

Zoom Box Cars – An ambulance and a fire engine that you can climb into and use to rescue people, animals, stuffed toys, etc.! *

Hands and Feet Set – Blue and yellow plastic foot and hand prints you can use to create trails, dance steps, large-scale board games, etc.

Microphones – Creates an echo of your voice. Fun for announcing, performing, story telling and more.

Pretend Money – Set of bills and coins for role-playing games and teaching life skills and mathematics.

Blank Books – For making your own stories and illustrations, either in collaboration with your child or to teach a particular perspective through your child’s favorite characters.

Cognitive Development:

“ABC Toss n Play Activity Set” - Brightly colored floor mat showing letters and fun illustrations, comes with 4 small bean bags. This item can be used in many different ways to stimulate interactive games while teaching the alphabet.

“Arthur’s Tell-a-Story” - Based on the cartoon character, Arthur, this game encourages sequencing skills, narrative development and can form the basis for interactive story telling, conversation and role playing.

“Fun Thinkers” – Creative matching game for development of reading, mathematics, creative thinking, sequencing and problem-solving skills.

“Feel and Find” – Locate and select chunky wooden shapes to complete a puzzle. Develops visual and tactile discrimination skills.

Flash Cards – Selection of cards including phonics, pictures and simple words. *

“Poetry Pals” – Set of 7 small, durable hard-board books, featuring simple poetry, fun characters and appealing illustrations.

Interactive Board Games / Puzzles:

“Bessie in the Barnyard” – Easy first board game with many possibilities for variation, expansion and interaction. *

Up & Down Puzzle – Wooden puzzle with large pieces featuring various forms of transport to explain concepts of position and encourage manual dexterity.

“Kids On Stage” - Charades style game in board game structure. Encourages role playing, guessing, creative thinking and interaction.

“Together Game” – Twenty miniature objects and cards for matching, object recognition, functional association skills and imaginative play.

“Twister” – The old favorite can be adapted in countless ways by adding in more of your child’s particular motivations and challenges. *

Move Cube – A large 6-side die made of durable plastic with transparent pockets so you can add pictures, words or numbers to each face of the die and create unlimited amounts of your own games.

“Don’t Make Me Laugh” – Highly interactive board game encouraging role play, creative thinking, imaginative play and self-expression.

“Life Stories” – Board game facilitating personal (rather than fact-based) conversation, while exploring a variety of social settings and skills.

“The Whole Brain Game” – For children 11 and older, this game demands “out-of-the-box” thinking and encourages self-expression. Can be played competitively or cooperatively.

“Ungame” – Cooperative board game to stimulate conversation, invite self-expression and promote listening skills.

* Retail information is not available for these items now. We listed them so you could look for similar toys.

Recommended Toys by Child's Age, Language Level and Interactive Attention Span

Child's Characteristics	Freshman Kit	Sophomore Kit	Junior Kit	Senior Kit
Age:	2 years – 8 years	2 years – 8 years	8 years +	14 years +
Language Level:	Up to 50 words	3 word sentences	Up to 150 words	Conversational
Attention Span:	10 sec – 10 min	10 min or more	10 sec – 10 min	10 min or more
Recommended Toy				
Disguise Kit	*	*		
Face Paint	*	*	*	*
Multi-Horned Hat	*	*		
Wizard Hat	*	*		
Black Cape	*	*	*	*
Fireman Suit	*	*		
Harmonica	*	*	*	
Bucket Drum	*	*	*	*
Drum Sticks	*	*	*	*
Rhythm Kit			*	
30-inch Exercise Ball	*	*	*	*
Three Ball Set	*	*	*	*
Bowling Game	*	*	*	
Rip-Tag			*	*
Luna Sticks				*
Bubbles	*	*		
Chew Toys	*			
Brick Blocks	*	*		
Phone-A-Friend	*	*	*	
Jumbo Letters / Numbers	*	*	*	
Toy School Bus	*	*		
Big Mouth Puppets	*	*	*	*
Finger Puppets	*	*	*	
Bendo People		*	*	
Tea Set		*		
Zoom Box Cars		*		
Hands and Feet				*
Microphones		*		*
Pretend Money				*
Blank Books				*
ABC Toss n' Play		*		
Arthur's Tell-a-Story		*		
Fun Thinkers		*		
Feel and Find			*	
Flash Cards		*	*	
Poetry Pals	*			
Bessie in the Barnyard	*		*	
Up & Down Puzzle	*			
Kids on Stage		*		
Together Game			*	
Twister			*	
Move Cube				*
Don't Make Me Laugh				*
Life Stories				*
The Whole Brain Game				*
The Ungame				*

Recommended Toys Purchasing Information

Recommended Toy	Supplier	Contact Information	Web Site	Telephone Nos.
Disguise Kit	Copernicus	1 Morton Dr., Charlottesville, VA 22903	www.copernicustoys.com	1-800-424-3950 1-434-296-6800
Face Paint	Small World Toys	5711 Buckingham Pkwy., Culvert City, CA 90230	www.smallworldtoys.com	1-866-310-1717 1-310-645-9680
Multi-Horned Hat	Elope Inc.	775 N. Murray Blvd., Colorado Springs, CO 80915	www.elope.com www.shiptheweb.com/epages/shiptheweb.storefront/EN/Catalog/1028	1-800-388-8493 1-856-426-0111
Wizard Hat	Schylling Associates	306 Newburyport Turnpike, Rowley, MA 01969	www.schylling.com	1-800-767-8697 1-978-948-3601
Black cape			Available on www.amazon.com	
Fireman suit	Dexter Educational Toys Inc.	PO Box 630861, Aventura, FL 33163	http://edushop.edu4kids.com/catalog/product_info.php?products_id=1165	1-800-291-4515
Harmonica	Woodstock Percussion	167 DuBois Rd., Shokan, NY 12481	N/A	1-800-422-4463 1-845-657-6000
Bucket Drum (Catch the Rhythm)	The M.H.F. School of Drumming	PO Box 103, Bethany, CT 06524	www.drumbuckets.com	1-203-393-1965
Drum Sticks	The M.H.F. School of Drumming	PO Box 103, Bethany, CT 06524	www.drumbuckets.com	1-203-393-1965
Rhythm Kit	Rhythm Band Instruments	PO Box 126, Ft. Worth, TX 76101	www.rhythmband.com	1-800-424-4724 1-817-335-2561
30 inch Ball	Small World Toys	PO Box 3620, Culvert City, CA 90231	www.smallworldtoys.com	1-866-310-1717 1-310-645-9680
Huggy Balls	Hooray!	156 Fifth Ave. # 500, New York, NY 10010	www.huggybuggy.com	1-866-278-7785
Bowling Game	Small World Toys	PO Box 3620, Culvert City, CA 90231	www.smallworldtoys.com	1-866-310-1717 1-310-645-9680
Rip-Tag	Sportime One	3155 Northwoods Pkwy., Norcross, GA 30071	www.sportime.com	1-800-283-5700 1-770-449-5700
Luna Sticks	Liston Concepts	1151 S. Redwood Rd. # 104, Salt Lake City, UT 84104	www.lunastix.com	1-800-221-8500 1-801-972-8282
Bubbles	Little Kids, Inc.	225 Chapman St. # 202, Providence, RI 02905	www.littlekidsinc.com	1-800-545-5437 1-401-454-7600
Chew Toys	Millbrook Distribution Services	PO Box 790, Harrison, AR 72601	www.millbrookds.com	1-800-643-8130 1-870-741-3425
Brick Blocks	U.S. Toy Co. Constructive Playthings	13201 Arrington Rd., Grandview, MO 64030	www.cptoy.com	1-800-448-1412 1-816-761-5900
Phone-A-Friend	Small World Toys	PO Box 3620, Culvert City, CA 90231	www.smallworldtoys.com	1-866-310-1717 1-310-645-9680
Jumbo Letters/Numbers	Educational Insights	2206 Oakland Pkwy., Columbia, TN 38401	www.educationalinsights.com	1-800-995-4436 1-931-381-9066
Toy School Bus	Little Tikes Company	2180 Barlow Rd., Hudson, OH 44236	www.littletikes.com	1-800-321-0183 UK: 0-800-521-558
Big Mouth Puppets	Lakeshore Learning Materials	2695 E. Dominguez St., Carson, CA 90895	www.lakeshorelearning.com	1-800-778-4456 1-310-537-8600
Finger Puppets	Dexter Educational Toys Inc. (Web site is retailer; use SKU DEX110.)	PO Box 630861, Aventura, FL 33163	www.edushop.edu4kids.com/catalog/product_info.php?products_id=1165	1-800-291-4515

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Bendo People	Kid Galaxy, Inc.	One Sundial Ave. #310, Manchester, NH 13105	www.kidgalaxy.com	1-800-816-1135 1-603-645-6252
Tea Set	International Playthings, Inc. (Use Cambitoys web site for retail.)	7D Lackawanna Ave., Parsippany, NJ 07054	www.intplay.com www.cambitoys.com	1-866-472-7135
Hands and Feet	Sportime	One Sportime Way, Atlanta, GA 30340	www.sportime.com	1-800-283-5700 1-770-449-5700
Microphones	The Early Learning Center	South Marston Park, Swindon SN3 4TJ, UK	www.elc.co.uk	08705-352-352
Pretend Money	Lakeshore Learning Materials	2695 E. Dominguez St., Carson, CA 90895	www.lakeshorelearning.com	1-800-778-4456 1-310-537-8600
Blank Books	Treetop Publishing	PO Box 085567, Racine, WI 53408	N/A	1-414-884-0501
Alphabet Toss n Play Activity Set	Learning Resources, Inc.	380 N. Fairway Dr., Vernon Hills, IL 60061	www.learningresources.com	1-800-333-8281
Arthur's Tell-a-Story	Ravensburger/ F.X. Schmid USA, Inc.	One Puzzle Place Lane, Newton, NH 03858	www.ravensburger.com	1-800-886-1236 1-603-382-3377
Fun Thinkers	Educational Insights	2206 Oakland Pkwy., Columbia, TN 38401	www.educationalinsights.com	1-800-995-4436 1-931-381-9066
Feel and Find	Guidecraft USA	66 Grand Ave. # 207, Englewood, NJ 07631	www.Guidecraft.com	1-800-524-3555
Flash Cards			Available on www.amazon.com	
Poetry Pals	Poetry Pals, Inc.	PO Box 367, Burleson, TX 76097	www.poetrypals.com	1-877-463-6896/ 1-817-295-6680
Bessie in the Barnyard	Kinga Games	49 A Rue Ste-Anne, Ste-Anne-DE-Bellevue, QC H9X 2E6, Canada		
Up & Down Puzzle	Small World Toys	PO Box 3620, Culvert City, CA 90231	www.smallworldtoys.com	1-866-310-1717 1-310-645-9680
Kids on Stage	University Games	3893 Crowfarn, Memphis, TN 38118	Available on www.amazon.com	
Together Game	Lakeshore Learning Materials	2695 E. Dominguez St., Carson, CA 90895	www.lakeshorelearning.com	1-800-778-4456 1-310-537-8600
Twister			Available on www.amazon.com	
Move Cube	Sportime	One Sportime Way, Atlanta, GA 30340	www.sportime.com	1-800-283-5700 1-770-449-5700
Don't Make Me Laugh	Lolo Company, Inc.	6755 Mira Mesa Blvd. # 123, San Diego, CA 92121	www.lolofun.com	1-800-760-9930
Life Stories	Tallicor/Aristoplay	901 Lincoln Pkwy., Plainwell, MI 49080	www.tallicor.com	1-800-433-4263 1-269-685-2345
The Whole Brain Game	Creative Mind Games	PO Box 227, Elmhurst, IL 60126	www.creativemindgames.com/wheretobuy.htm	No telephone #. Game available in stores
The Ungame	Tallicor/Aristoplay	901 Lincoln Pkwy., Plainwell, MI 49080	www.tallicor.com	1-800-433-4263 1-269-685-2345