

Cardboard Boxes

P.L.A.Y. Plan (Purposeful Learning and You)

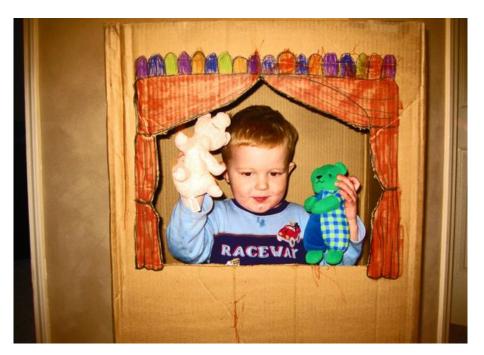
Our mission: It is our mission to promote learning through play by offering children opportunities to interact with real people and have hands-on interactions with real things.

Start saving all different sizes of boxes for lots of fun!



Activities with Cardboard Boxes:

- 1. Be creative and make a car, plane, truck, boat, or 4-wheeler out of a box.
- 2. Turn the box into a reading nook by adding a pillow.
- 3. Build a box tower with several empty cardboard boxes. Use different duct tape to decorate the boxes.
- 4. Make a box city.
- 5. Turn a box into a tunnel.



Let's Talk ...

Transform a box into a puppet stage and have your child create a play for you. This is a great opportunity for your child to have fun and practice speaking and listening skills.



Box Party ...

Invite friends and family over and have a movie night in the living room or in the yard like a drive in movie theater. The kids can decorate the boxes like cars.

What the Experts Say ...

With nothing more than a little imagination, those boxes can be transformed into forts or houses, spaceships or submarines, castles or caves. Inside a big cardboard box, a child is transported to a world of his or her own, one where anything is possible.

- National Toy Hall of Fame

Let's Create!

- 1. Allow your child to be creative and color the box. Give your child markers/crayons and let them draw, doodle, write, or color the box.
- 2. Turn the box into a mailbox and create mailboxes for each family member. Have your child write letters and draw pictures to be placed in the mailboxes.
- 3. Use a cardboard box to create a ball painting. Place a sheet of paper in the box



and dip a ball in paint. Place the ball in the box and tilt the box different directions.

Let's Read ...

Check out your local library for these great reads!

