



Dramatic Play Prop Box

Children learn through dramatic play. When dressing up or playing in the Dramatic Play Area, children try on various roles to help them process and understand their world. In turn, they develop social skills and the ability to play with others, while using their imagination and being creative.

The Beach

blankets	beach towel	Beach Boys music
picnic basket	buckets and shovels	swimming caps
beach umbrella	shells	surfboard
sunglasses	lawn chairs	Snorkels
beach ball	straw hats	fins
pretend suntan lotion	play picnic foods	flip flops

Flower Shop

plastic flowers	small garden tool	cash register/money
watering can	spotting soil	phone
seeds	vases	plastic pots
florist smock	Garden gloves	magazines
pen	order book	garden hats

Veterinarian

stuffed animals	plastic gloves	pet brushes
cotton balls	play money	white lab coat
gauze	exam table	pet carriers
surgical masks	empty bottles	magnifying glass
animal pamphlets		stethoscope

Fire Fighter

yellow rubber raincoats	whistle	fire safety posters
boots	fire hats	walkie-talkies/phone
old vacuum hose	flashlight	gloves

Tourist / Vacation

suitcases	Hawaiian shirts	postcards
tickets	passports	travel magazines
sunglasses	travelers checks/money	camera
maps		

Bakery

fresh play dough
measuring spoons
rolling pins
aprons
oven mitts
cookie sheets

pictures of baked goods
chefs hat
muffin tins
cake pans
mixing bowls

cake decorators
order pads
recipes
cookie cutters
flour shaker
cupcake papers

Post Office

envelopes
postcards
stamps (seals/stickers)
boxes or packages
duffle bag
junk mail

mailbox
scale
mailperson hat
stickers
paper punch

cash register
old blue shirt
cash register
pens, pencils,
paper

Fishing

boat (box)
plastic worms
net
tackle box

sinkers/bobbers
fishing hat
pole
fish (w/ magnets)

binoculars
fishing magazines
camera
thermos

House Painter

smocks
paint brushes
paint rollers
buckets of water

paint
rags
paint trays
cap

old shirts
step ladder
color sample wheels

Camping / Forest Ranger

canteen
flashlight
tent
grill fake campfire
sticks w/ marshmallow

nature books
food supplies
sleeping bags
thermos
fishing poles
binoculars

fly swatter
plastic ants
small cooler
lawn furniture
orange vests
paper plates

Astronaut

helmet
air tank
earphones
globe

control panel
moonboots
flag
moon rocks

walkie-talkies
star decals
a rocket ship
food in plastic bags

Optometrist

eye chart
pointer
glasses

table
mirror
white lab coat

glass cases
wooden spoon
pictures of eyes

Jewelry Store

old jewelry
necklaces
bracelets

play money
display case
cash register

jewelry boxes
mall mirrors

Shoe Store

lots of shoes
shoe boxes
cash register
play money
ruler or foot measurer

shoestrings
shoe horn
sacks
pictures of shoes
hook w/ service numbers

small chairs
full-length mirror
shoe polish (empty)
order pad

Doctor / Nurse

Surgical hat masks/booties
stethoscope
cotton balls
band aids
telephone
scale

white aprons
small flashlight
hot water bottle
gauze
rubber gloves
dolls/doll beds

empty bottle
hospital gown
doctor bag
x-rays
thermometer
note pad/files
old crutches

Police Officer

pad for writing tickets
small clipboard
police hat
stop signs

license plates
blue shirt
walkie-talkie
badge

911 signs
black belt
steering wheel
whistle

Wedding

white dresses
veil or lace curtain
bride magazines
wedding cake
rings

bow ties
flowers
paper to make invites
white dress up shoes
suit

decorations
black clergy robe
wedding pictures
camera
"Just Married" sign

Hair Stylist

plastic combs	plastic capes	ribbons
mirrors	brushes	posters of hair styles
hairpins	hair dryer	telephone
rollers	magazines	hair clips
spray bottles	play money	wigs/wig heads
barrettes	curling irons	towels
appointment book	empty shampoo bottles	headbands

Note: things used on hair must be sanitized after use by children.

Office Worker

desk	phones/phone books	stapler
name plate	paper/pens/pencils	paperclips
old forms/files	calculator	junk mail
typewriter	stamps	pen holder
briefcase	old computer	rolodex
memo pad		

Police Officer

pad for writing tickets	license plates	911 signs
small clipboard	blue shirt	black belt
police hat	walkie-talkie	steering wheel
stop signs	badge	whistle

Grocery Store

play food	cash register	aprons
check out area	play money	purses/wallets
egg cartons	sale flyers	plastic fruit/vegetables
paper bags	grocery cart/basket	coupons

Car Wash

tricycles	buckets	hose
buckets	sponges	car wash signs
water	squeegees	play money

Pizza Parlor

discarded pizza boxes	bakery aprons	prep area
play money	cash register	cardboard circles
order pad	stove	(pizzas) with felt on one side
phones	play pizza cutter	felt toppings – green peppers, etc

Bank

play money
deposit slips/checks
bankbooks

adding machine/calculator
teller window
cash box

rubber stamps/ink pads
paper/pens
coin rolls

Ice Cream Parlor

ice cream scoops cones
empty ice cream tubs

play money/cash register
apron and hat
order pads/pencils

wipe-off board
menu

Other prop box ideas

Science Lab

School

New Baby

Bear Cave

Farmer

Dancer

Carpenter

Reporter

Music Store

Conductor

Pilot

Maid Magician

Repair Shop

Book Store

Library

Fast Food Drive-thru

Picnic

Dentist

The Circus

Pet Shop

Birthday Party

Travel Agency

Movie Theater

The Zoo

Weatherman