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

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

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

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

Tourist / Vacation
- suitcases
- tickets
- sunglasses
- maps
- Hawaiian shirts
- passports
- travelers checks/money
- postcards
- travel magazines
- camera
### 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
- duffel 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** | **Table** | **Glass cases** |
| **Pointer** | **Mirror** | **White lab coat** | **Wooden spoon** |
| **Glasses** | **Wooden spoon** | **Pictures of eyes** |

| **Jewelry Store** | **Old jewelry** | **Play money** | **Jewelry boxes** |
| **Necklaces** | **Display case** | **Mall mirrors** |
| **Bracelets** | **Cash register** | **Jewelry boxes** |

| **Shoe Store** | **Lots of shoes** | **Shoestrings** | **Small chairs** |
| **Shoe boxes** | **Shoe horn** | **Full-length mirror** |
| **Cash register** | **Sacks** | **Shoe polish (empty)** |
| **Play money** | **Pictures of shoes** | **Order pad** |
| **Ruler or foot measurer** | **Hook w/ service numbers** |

| **Doctor / Nurse** | **Surgical hat masks/booties** | **White aprons** | **Empty bottle** |
| **Stethoscope** | **Small flashlight** | **Hospital gown** |
| **Cotton balls** | **Hot water bottle** | **Doctor bag** |
| **Band aids** | **Gauze** | **X-rays** |
| **Telephone** | **Rubber gloves** | **Thermometer** |
| **Scale** | **Dolls/doll beds** | **Note pad/files** |
| **Doctor bag** | **X-rays** | **Old crutches** |

| **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** |

<p>| <strong>Wedding</strong> | <strong>White dresses</strong> | <strong>Bow ties</strong> | <strong>Decorations</strong> |
| <strong>Veil or lace curtain</strong> | <strong>Flowers</strong> | <strong>Black clergy robe</strong> |
| <strong>Bride magazines</strong> | <strong>Paper to make invites</strong> | <strong>Wedding pictures</strong> |
| <strong>Wedding cake</strong> | <strong>White dress up shoes</strong> | <strong>Camera</strong> |
| <strong>Rings</strong> | <strong>Suit</strong> | <strong>&quot;Just Married&quot; sign</strong> |</p>
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*Note: things used on hair must be sanitized after use by children.*

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<td>phones</td>
<td>play pizza cutter</td>
<td>felt toppings – green peppers, etc</td>
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Bank
play money adding machine/calculator rubber stamps/ink pads
deposit slips/checks teller window paper/pens
bankbooks cash box coin rolls

Ice Cream Parlor
ice cream scoops cones play money/cash register wipe-off board
empty ice cream tubs apron and hat 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