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ADULT GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with: scented candles ~ massage oil ~ lingerie ~ wine ~ wine glasses

ANNIVERSARY GIFT BASKET

wine or de-alcohol wine

register both couples in an activity class (rock climbing, scuba diving, something they can do together)

a movie that both spouses like

popcorn kernels with favorite spices

coupon book you make yourself for babysitting (if necessary)

an inspirational book about marriage

bubble bath

an afghan made for two

sweets and cookies

AQUARIUM LOVERS GIFT BASKET

Fill a gold fish bowl with:

fish food ~ aquarium gravel ~ net ~ gift certificate for fish from pet store ~ book about care of gold fish

ARTISTS GIFT BASKET

Include paintbrushes, different types of paints, markers, pencils, and sketch books.

ATHLETE'S GIFT BASKET

High energy bars

Sports drinks

Carbo loaded mix Pasta

Jar of pasta sauce
Sunscreen Lip balm
Moisturizer/shower soap
BABY GIFT BASKET
bibs bottles
baby soap
night light
receiving blanket
socks
pacifier
washcloths
rubber ducky
some underwear
soothing baby CD
little toy
baby spoon
baby frame
baby lotion
BACHELOR'S GIFT BASKET
Fill a laundry basket with: laundry guide ~ cook book featuring easy meals like casseroles ~ roll of quarters and some laundry soap ~ takeout pizza coupons ~ an iron ~ room deodorizer ~ any other cleaning supplies ~ food staples like macaroni dinners, canned tuna, canned soup and, of course, beer!

BAGEL GIFT BASKET

assorted bagels, jams, cream cheese, cutting board, utensils.

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BAKERS GIFT BASKET

use a cake pan as a "basket".

Fill the pan with:

pot holders ~ decorative frosting set ~ assorted sprinkles and nuts ~ baking recipes ~ cake server

BAKER'S GIFT BASKET 2

Use a cookie tin for a "basket".

Fill the tin with:

your favorite cookie recipes or a cook book ~ cookie cutters ~ chocolate chips ~ nuts ~ decorator icing set ~ assorted sprinkles

BARBEQUE LOVER'S GIFT BASKET

use an apron with pockets for a "basket".

Fill the apron pockets with:

marinade recipes ~BBQ sauce ~BBQ tools ~ packages of meat tenderizer ~ skewers ~ gift certificate for the local butcher

Beginner Cook Gift Basket

Use a Dish Drainer for the "Basket" and fill with your choice of the following items:

Wire Whisk

Rubber Spatula Set

Wooden Spoon Set

Ladle

Slotted Spoon

Long Fork

Tongs

Paring Knife

Slicing Knife

Vegetable Peeler

Package of Dishcloths

Two Dish Towels
Two Potholders
Two Oven Mitts
Placemats
Can Opener
Kitchen Scissors
Corkscrew
Small cutting board
Large Mixing Bowl
Medium Mixing Bowl
Cheese Grater
Measuring Cups
Measuring spoons
Small Kitchen Scales
Scrubbing Pads
Glass Mop
Rubber Gloves
Salt & Pepper Set
Canister Set
Wrap all items and tie with ribbons. Place smaller items in the "silverware compartment" of the dish drainer. Wrap the whole thing up in a tablecloth and gather at the top and tie with a big bow. You may choose to wrap it in cellophane instead if unsure of color preferences.
BINGO LOVER'S GIFT BASKET
Fill a plastic bag with a dabber, magnetic wand, bingo chips, markers, good luck charm and chewing gum
BOOK LOVER'S GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with

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best-sellers or books and magazines related to the book lover's hobbies and interests.
large coffee mug,
flavored coffee,
a variety of teas,
comfy slippers,
an assortment of decorative bookmarks,
neck pillows (great to use while reading
bookends.
BREAKFAST GIFT BASKET
Fill a cast iron gift basket with
container of maple syrup, package of smoked bacon, ham or sausage from a local butcher shop (this is the best way to buy gourmet w/out the high cost), bag of pancake/biscuit mix (you can buy something gourmet, or put some Bisquick or jiffy mix in a clear bag and tie a pretty piece of material around it with a tag including directions on how to mix up), some tea and/or coffee and/or some juice boxes or bottles, jam/jelly/preserves, and small jar of honey.
BRIDAL SHOWER GIFT BASKET
book about easy cooking
two tall scented candles
a diary with fancy pen - so the bride can write down her wedding day experience
a book about babies (for a gag)
condoms (for a gag)
silk teddy or lingery
register both bride and groom in a cooking class
"Men are from Mars, Women are from Venus" book
wine or de-alcohol wine
tall wine glasses
strawberries

BOY'S GIFT BASKET

his favorite cookies or candy

small package of inexpensive trucks or cars (take out of the package)

a bed - time story

book coloring book with washable markers

a small package of legos

a cowboy hat or any other kind of hat

little toy man with parachute

a paper plane they can assemble (dollar store)

bubble bath

stickers

his favorite cartoon video

puzzle

yo-yo

CAMPERS GIFT BASKET

Use a Backpack for the "Basket" and fill with your choice of the following

Flashlight
Water Bottle
Swiss Army Knife
Folded Poncho
Camping Tin Dish Set
Frying Pan
Trail Mix
Dried Fruits
Jerky
Lantern
Matches in a Waterproof Airtight Container
Compass
Guide to backpacking in the local area
Camping Book

CANDLE LOVER'S GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with

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votives, tea lights, tapers, snuffer, glass holders, matches, tart burners CAR BUFF GIFT BASKET Fill a basket with premium quality auto wax; buffing products; treated dusting cloths; assortment of magazines on cars; books about classic, vintage or sports cars; videos about maintaining cars; a tire gauge; a car-theme T-shirt; a disposable camera to snap the freshly waxed car and its owner; a frame for a photo of the car buff with the shiny car. CAR LOVER'S GIFT BASKET Fill a basket or a bag with: tire gauge ~ liter (or gallon) of oil ~ wax ~ chamois ~ car wash coupons ~ squeegee for the windows ~ mileage log and pen ~ travel mug CARPENTER'S GIFT BASKET Fill the pockets of a tool belt or pouch with work gloves, hammer, screws, nails, screwdriver, tape measure, duct tape. CAT LOVER'S GIFT BASKET use a cat basket as a "basket". food and water dishes ~ collar ~ brush ~ catnip ball ~ rubber ball, rubber mice or other cat toys ~ book on cat care

CHILDREN'S COLORING GIFT BASKET

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Fill a rubber/plastic storage box with:

crayons (get the big package with tons of colors)~ non-toxic markets ~ assorted papers, include a variety of colors and textures ~ coloring books ~ assorted stickers ~a paint box and brushes

CHILI LOVER'S GIFT BASKET

Fill A pot with:

assorted dried beans: kidney, black, white, navy, pinto, etc. ~ dried red chili peppers ~ chili powder, cayenne pepper, cumin, cilantro ~ chili recipes ~ ladle ~ oven mitts ~

CHINESE FOOD LOVER'S GIFT BASKET

Fill a wok with:

Chinese tea set ~ package of green tea ~ cook book ~ cleaver ~ chop sticks ~ package dried black mushrooms ~ bottle of soy sauce other sauces like plum sauce, Szechwan sauce, teriyaki sauce, etc.

CHOCOHOLIC GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with your choice of the following items

Chocolate Cookies
Chocolate Bon-Bons
Hot Chocolate Mix
Chocolate Kisses
Chocolate Ice Cream Topping
Chocolate Flavored Coffee
Chocolate Cake
Chocolate Pudding Mix
Tootsie Rolls
Chocolate Recipes

CHOCOLATE LOVER'S GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with:

chocolate cookies (home baked is best) \sim chocolate bonbons \sim chocolate sauces \sim chocolate syrup \sim chocolate dipped coffee spoons Hot chocolate mix \sim chocolate covered coffee beans \sim chocolate flavored coffee beans \sim chocolate recipes

CHRISTMAS GIFT BASKET

Fill a decorative Christmas box or tin with:

assorted home-baked cookies ~ assorted chocolates ~ Christmas ornaments (better if you made them yourself)~ pre-recorded Christmas music ~ tuck in some candy canes or foil wrapped chocolate Santas for a finishing touch

CHRISTMAS GIFT BASKET 2

hot apple cider mix

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large mugs
home made christmas ornament
a letter saying why you love Christmas
matching mittens, hat and scarf
some mistletoe
Christmas music CD
home made Christmas cookies - with the recipe included
30) CHRISTMAS DECORATING GIFT BASKET
Fill a basket with: nativity set ~ assorted Christmas ornaments (store bought or hand-made by you)~ decorative lights ~ candles
COFFEE LOVER'S GIFT BASKET
Fill a basket with: gourmet coffees ~ coffee mugs ~ novels ~ chocolates ~ decorative bookmark (why not make one yourself)
COLLECTOR'S GIFT BASKET
Fill a basket with: reference books ~ items they collect ~ display cases, books, etc .~ cleaning supplies (special polishes, oils, brushes, etc.)~ tickets to a collectibles show
College Gift Basket
Get a huge laundry basket or hamper and fill it with any of the following:
candy
brownie mix
cookies
microwave popcorn
cup-a-soup type mixes or ramen noodles
soup mugs

wooden spoon set
drink mixes
tea bags
hot chocolate mix
fast food coupons
quarters for the washers/dryers
note pads/post-its
coasters for drinks (handmade is nice)
kleenex
air freshener
cleaners
disinfectant spray for the shower and bathroom
cards/envelopes (to write home)
laundry bags
paperback book
lottery tickets pens
paper
photos
shampoo
soap
conditioner
toothpaste
nice big fluffy towel
matching washcloth
paperclips
stapler
staples

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binders 1/2" and 1"
desk organizer trays
pencil and pen caddy
mouse pad
double sided tape to hang
things on the wall
computer diskettes
picture frames
playing cards
calendar
Wrap the whole thing in Cellophane and tie with a big bow to match the basket!
COMEDIAN'S GIFT BASKET
Fill a basket with: deck of trick cards ~ whoopi cushion ~ chattering teeth ~ joke books ~ comedy movies, cassettes or CDs ~ tickets to a comedy club
COMPUTER BUFF GIFT BASKET
Fill a basket with: mouse pad ~ diskettes ~ novelty or personalized disk labels ~ anti-static wrist band ~ travel mug (so that things won't spill on the computer)~a list of your favorite Web sites ~
COMPUTER GAMER GIFT BASKET
Fill a decorative box with: membership to an online gaming WWW site ~ computer game CDs ~ joy stick ~ mouse pad ~ shareware games on diskette
COLICH POTATO GIFT BASKET

COUCH POTATO GIFT BASKET

fill a large basket or box with: assorted bags of flavored popcorn \sim other snacks like chips, nuts, candy \sim pre-recorded movies \sim TV Guide subscription \sim TV Remote holder \sim Comfortable slippers \sim Cushion

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COWBOY GIFT BASKET

Fill a cowboy hat with:

bolo tie ~ western belt buckle ~ boot protector ~ gift certificate for country dancing, horseback riding, rodeo, etc.

CRAFTER'S GIFT BASKET

Use a rubber storage container for a "basket"

Fill the container with:

glue gun and glue sticks ~ acrylic paints ~ assorted brushes ~ a craft knife ~ other craft supplies such as beads, pompoms, wood sticks, buttons, stickers, dried flowers, etc. ~ craft patterns or how-to books

CRAFTER'S GIFT BASKET 2

fill a rubber/plastic container with:

small terra cotta plant pots ~ flexible stencils ~ acrylic paints ~ stencil tape ~ brushes ~ spray polyurethane ~ seeds to plant when pots have been decorated

CROCHET OR KNITTER'S GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with:

assorted needles or crochet hooks ~ assorted patterns ~ buttons ~ ribbons ~ personalized "made by" labels ~ wool

CYCLIST'S GIFT BASKET

use a cycling helmet as a "basket".

Fill it with:

cycling gloves ~ water bottle ~ reflectors ~ sunglasses ~ odometer ~ patch kit

DINNER AND A MOVIE GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with

A box of pasta (this looks really nice if you buy the colorful pasta and put it in a mason jar, put a small piece of material over the top with a ribbon on the lid), jar of sauce, a jar of shaker cheese, could also include a clove of garlic or a shaker of Italian seasoning, a pasta spoon or wooden spoon with a ribbon tied on the handle, a pair of candles for romantic lighting, two cupcakes or a bag of gourmet cookies, and a gift certificate from the local movie rental place.

DOG LOVER'S GIFT BASKET

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Fill the a large dog bowl with:

squeaky toy ~ rawhide bone ~ dog biscuits ~ dog brush ~ dog collar ~ leash ~

ELECTRONIC HOBBYIST GIFT BASKET

Fill a plastic box with:

resistors ~ capacitors ~ wire pliers ~ soldering iron and solder ~ light bulbs ~LED lights ~ printed circuit boards ~ project books ~ wire cutters ~ electrical tape

ENGAGEMENT GIFT BASKET

fill a basket with:

wedding planner ~ unity candle ~ garter ~ cake knife ~ honeymoon travel information or tickets ~ wedding decorations ~ wedding album

EXECUTIVE'S GIFT BASKET

Fill a briefcase with:

daytime r~ business card holder (one for the wallet, one for the desktop)~ pen and pencil set ~ newspaper subscription ~ shoe polish ~ reference books ~ desk calendar ~ coffee mug

EXERCISER'S GIFT BASKET

fill a tote bag:

towel ~ water bottle ~ workout tapes or magazines ~ power bars ~ sports drinks ~ sports socks ~ gym membership

EXPECTANT PARENTS GIFT BASKET

Fill a baby's bath tub with:

hooded towel ~ wash cloth ~ rubber ducky ~ baby shampoo ~ baby powder ~ baby lotion ~ terry sleeper

FAMILY GAME NIGHT GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with:

cards, checkers, dice, pads, pens, microwave popcorn, dominoes, puzzles.

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FATHER'S DAY GIFT BASKET

subscription to his favorite magazine

his favorite cologne

comfy, warm slippers

coupon book you make (take the day off ,dad, or I'll mow the lawn this time, dad!)

a gift certificate to his favorite sports shop

his favorite cookies or treat

a personal letter (in your own handwriting) telling him why you love him and what you admire about him

his favorite popcorn spices

his favorite action movie

a nice picture frame (with the picture of the family in it)

FARWAY GRANDPARENT GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with:

children's artwork ~ gifts made by the kids frames family pictures (let the kids buy plain wooden frames and decorate them with stickers)~ videos of the family ~a long-distance calling card ~ Extras: fill out the basket with candy, coffee, tea, biscuits, Christmas ornaments, candles, etc.

FEMALE BABY BOOMER GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with

books and magazines on women's health issues;

a variety of herbal teas;

skin care lotions for maturing skin;

gentle hair care products with herbal scents;

skin care accessories, such as sponges, brushes and loofahs;

humorous coffee mugs;

Beatles CDs, for the memories.

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FIESTA GIFT BASKET
Fill a Southwestern-style clay or terra cotta bowl with
spicy treats like domestic Salsa Jack cheese,
fresh jalapeño peppers,
gourmet salsa and blue corn chips.
Toss in a pair of traditional Mexican maracas for color and pizzazz.
FONDUE GIFT BASKET
Stuff an enamel fondue pot with
blue cheese,
Swiss cheese,
crusty breads,
nuts,
figs,
apples
apricots.
Outfit each fondue set with matching plates or bowls, color-tipped fondue forks and candles or burners.
FISHERMAN'S GIFT BASKET
use a tackle box as a "basket". Fill it with: assorted lures ~ leaders ~ pliers ~ gloves ~ guide to local fishing

FOOTBALL FAN GIFT BASKET

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Fill a basket a month-at-a-glance calendar, microwave popcorn, a football theme mouse pad,

a sweatshirt with a favorite team's logo,

a hat with a favorite team's logo,

a mini AM/FM radio and binoculars (both for seats in a stadium's nosebleed section),

plastic raingear,

a VCR tape (for emergencies, like attending weddings).

GAMBLER'S GIFT BASKET

fill a basket with:

decks of cards ~ dice ~ poker chips ~ poker rule book ~ pocket electronic games ~ plane tickets to Vegas

GARDENERS GIFT BASKET

Use a large terra cotta plant pot for a "basket". If you like, you can personalize the pot by painting it with acrylic paints. When the paint is dry, spray a light coat of polyurethane over the pot to add a shine. Fill the pot with:

gardening gloves ~ hand trowel ~ hand rake ~a selection of vegetable and/or flower seeds (go for something unusual)~ bottle of liquid fertilizer ~a gardening book ~a subscription for a gardening magazine

GET WELL GIFT BASKET

FILL A GIFT BASKET WITH

a cuddly teady bear

candy or sweets

relaxing CD

a humorous book or a book about poems

a deck of cards

puzzles or games

cozy warm slippers

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a funny movie

GET WELL BASKET 2

Use to cheer up a friend at home in bed with the flu or other illness -- Find an unusual shaped basket and fill with any of the items below:

Non-alcoholic sparkling cider
Flavored Tea Bags
Assorted Magazines
Find-A-Word Puzzle Book
Crossword Puzzle Book
Books on Audio Cassette
Favorite Movie Video
Stuffed Teddy Bear for Comfort
Nice Warm Throw in Favorite Colors
Pretty Box of Kleenex
Can of Chicken Noodle Soup
Saltine Crackers
Bowl and spoon
Be Sure to include a Get Well Card

60) GIFT BASKET FOR BUSY PEOPLE

Fill a basket with:

coupons for your babysitting time ~ cook book featuring meals in 30 minutes or less ~ day timer to help them organize their time more efficiently ~ watch ~ information about or coupons for a shopping service which will do their shopping for them ~ coupons for other time saving services like dry-cleaning, tailoring, take-out food, car washes, etc.

GIRL'S GIFT BASKET

FILL A BASKET WITH

her favorite cookies or candy

cheap make-up (so she can dress up)

junk jewelry

small inexpensive doll, or make one that is simple

a bed-time story book

a grown-up plain straw hat

that you decorate with fake roses, ribbon and lace

fancy grown-up dress shoes

ladies gloves

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coloring book with washable markers plastic tea set bubble bath stickers her favorite cartoon video **GOLF LOVER'S GIFT BASKET** For the golfer, fill a basket or a golf bag with: golf tees ~ golf balls ~a baseball cap ~ sunscreen ~ score cards ~a small towel ~a can cooler to keep a can of pop or beer cold ~ Of course, don't forget to personalize the towel or baseball cap - you can stitch on them, use fabric paints, etc. **GRANDFATHER'S GIFT BASKET** FILL A BASKET WITH a nice inspirational book about being a grandfather his favorite sweets cozy, warm slippers a gift certificate to his favorite sports or outdoor store a letter (in your own handwriting) telling him why you love him and what you admire about him a sports or outdoor magazine his favorite cologne a nice frame with the family or children's portrait in it a coupon to his favorite restaurant

his favorite movie

his favorite popcorn spices

hot/cold bag (you heat up or cool down, and wrap around your neck)

GRANDMOTHER'S GIFT BASKET

FILL A BASKET WITH

bath salts or aromatherapy bath powder

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an inspirational book about being a grandmother

a nice picture frame with the family or the grandchildren already in it

her favorite flowers

her favorite sweets

cozy, warm slippers

a gift certificate to her favorite clothing store or craft store

a letter (in your own handwriting) telling her why you love her and what you admire about her

some yummy cookie recipes

her favorite perfume

GRADUATION GIFT BASKET

FILL A BASKET WITH

a letter of why you appreciate them and what you admire about them (in your own handwriting)

a small book about house cleaning

a book about how to cook easy meals

a large bag of popcorn kernals with their favorite spices

stationary, with self addressed envelopes already stamped

fancy pen to write home with

a phone card for calling home

their favorite sweets

GUITAR PLAYER GIFT BASKET

Fill the basket with:

assorted picks ~ tuning fork ~ sheet music ~ CDs or cassettes of great guitar players ~ guitar strings ~ electronic tuner ~ lesson books

HEALTH FOOD GIFT BASKET

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Fill a basket or a mixing bowl:

brown rice (in a bag tied with a ribbon or in a glass jar)~ other grains like quinoa, spelt, bulgur, etc. ~ all-natural candy bars ~ tofu in aseptic packages (so it doesn't need refrigeration)~ assorted dried beans (black, black-eyed peas, chick peas, lima beans, Java beans, etc.)~ assorted spices ~ all natural skin and body care products (find them at your local health food store)

HIKER'S GIFT BASKET

use hiking boots as a "basket". Fill with: maps ~ rain poncho ~ bear bells or repellant ~ trail mix ~ compass ~ first aid kit for hikers

HOME OFFICE GIFT BASKET

Use a rubber garbage can as a "basket".

Fill the can with:

stapler ~ tacks, paper clips, pens, pencils ~ note pads ~ hole punch ~ desk lamp ~ desk calendar

HOUSEWARMING GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with

a board game

popcorn kernals with spices

a crafty welcome sign or a wreath they can put on their door

a healthy house plant

a plug in room freshener

bag of potpourri

a business card you make yourself - put your name address and phone number on it, so they can call you any time soothing flavored tea

HOUSE WARMING GIFT BASKET 2

Use a recycling bin, fill with

Light bulbs

batteries

toilet paper and paper towels

cleaners

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some cans of soup

small bag of flour and sugar

cook book of easy and fast recipes

small bag of dry pasta

potpourri

scented candles

a book about recycling

ICE CREAM SUNDAE GIFT BASKET

Fill A Basket With Your Choice of the following

Ice Cream Scoop
Homemade Brownies
Can of Chocolate Syrup
Jars of Pineapple, Butterscotch and Strawberry Toppings
Sprinkles
Cones
2-Liter Bottle of Cola, Rootbeer or Cherry 7-Up for Floats
Maraschino Cherries
Assorted Nuts
Sundae Dishes
Float Glasses
Spoons
Coupons For Gourmet Ice Cream
Coupons for Ice Cream Parlor

ITALIAN FEAST GIFT BASKET

In an oversized breadbasket PLACE

olive oil,

gourmet Alfredo or red sauce,

breadsticks

domestic, Italian-style cheeses like mozzarella, Asiago and Parmesan.

For the finishing touch, drop in a cheese grater, pasta rake and red and white checkered napkins.

JIGSAW PUZZLE GIFT BASKET

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Fill a basket with: jigsaw puzzle ~ puzzle mat ~ coffee mug ~ magnifying glass ~ gourmet coffee
JOGGER'S GIFT BASKET
fill a tote bag with: pedometer ~ sweat band ~ tapes and batteries for the Walkman ~ shoe laces ~ sport socks ~ personal alarm ~ t shirt ~ water bottle in a shoulder or waist holder
JUNK FOOD JUNKIE GIFT BASKET
Fill a basket with
pretzels,
oreo cookies,
popcorn,
peanuts,
chocolate bar,
M&M's,

KID'S BATH GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with:

jelly beans

bubble bath \sim no-tears shampoo and conditioner \sim bath crayons (they let kids write on the tub or the wall, then they wash off) \sim bath toys \sim bath mitt or decorative face cloth \sim printed towel \sim robe \sim slippers

KID'S BEACH GIFT BASKET

Fill a plastic pail with:

plastic shovel ~ sand molds ~ beach ball or plastic floatation device (deflated)~ beach towel ~ flip-flops ~ sunglasses ~ sunscreen for kids ~ bathing suit

Kids Artist Gift Basket

Decorate a canvas tote with puffy paints or fabric paints to personalize for the child. Fill with several of the following items:

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Puffy paints Fabric paints **Paint Brushes** Fabric crayons Colored pens and pencils Cotton t-shirt to paint Cotton hat to paint Stencils Large tablet of newsprint paper Glue Safety Scissors Watercolors Crayons Art Smock (can be a regular apron) Stickers Coloring Book

Kids Traveling Gift Basket

Use a Book Bag for the "Basket" and fill it with your choice of the following items:

Traveling Bingo Game
Other Travel Size Games
Coloring Book
Crayons
Doodle Pad of Paper
Pencils or Pens
Magnetic Doodle Board
Travel Size Etch-A-Sketch
Small Portable Radio/Cassette Player w/ Headset :-)
Don't Forget the Batteries
Disposable Camera
Snack Crackers
Raisins
Soft blanket to nap with
Stuffed Animal

KINDERGARDENER'S GIFT BASKET

fill a children's lunchbox with:

pencil toppers ~ decorated pencils ~ colored pencils ~ rulers ~ plastic stencils which let them draw stars, circles, etc .~ stapler ~ children's scissors ~ water bottle in a shoulder or waist holder

KITCHEN GADGET GIFT BASKET

Fill a canvas onion bag with:

garlic press ~ can opener ~ jar opener ~ paring knife (carefully wrapped)~ strawberry huller ~ egg slicer ~ cheese slicer ~ mixing spoons ~ measuring spoons and cups ~ egg timer ~ grater

Laundry Gift Basket- for those that bring home 10 loads of laundry every time they visit!!

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Use a laundry basket (or two stacked inside of each other) for the "Basket" and fill with your choice of the following:

Laundry Detergent
Fabric Softener
Bleach (with instructions on use !)
Stain Remover
2 dozen or more Plastic Hangers
Laundry Bag
Ironing Board (tabletop size)
Travel Size Iron
A Roll of Quarters
An Instruction Booklet You've Made Giving the Proper Procedures
For Doing Laundry (this is because if you don't they usually end up with all pink underclothes!)
A Bottle of Woolite

LOVER'S GIFT BASKET

Include several scented candles,

a cassette tape with romantic music,

a good bottle of wine or brandy,

two glasses,

a bottle of massage oil,

some good chocolates,

and a cardboard note to hang on the door that says "Do Not Disturb".

Include a card with instructions to read "Close the door, turn off the phone.

Enjoy together your precious time alone."

LOW INCOME GIFT BASKET

For anyone you know who's out of work or living on a very low income - fill your basket with the little things everybody needs,

like soap, stamps, matches, pens, paper towels, hand towels, etc.

Add a few more luxurious items to give it a more festive air.

another good idea is to add a pocket-sized puzzle or crossword book. If you have some free samples of shampoo, toothpaste, etc, lying around, add them too!

MALE BABY BOOMER GIFT BASKET

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Pick accessories for the outdoor or indoor middle-aged sports enthusiast:

sunscreen, sun visor, shoe and wrist reflectors, odorless pain-relieving gel, sports books on tape, a tape player with waistband attachment, blank VCR tapes, and spare batteries for the TV remote control. Include his favorite '60s and '70s music, in CD format. Select an appropriate, humorous T-shirt with a middle-age theme.

MEN'S ACCESSORIES GIFT BASKET

Fill an overnight bag with: socks ~ underwear ~ belt ~ tie ~ tie clip ~ handkerchiefs ~ wallet ~ watch

MOTHER'S DAY GIFT BASKET

subscription to her favorite magazine

bath salts or aroma therapy bath powder

her favorite scented candles

her favorite chocolate

coupon book you make (nights that you cook, or leave mom alone for a day or an hour)

a soft back romance novel or romance movie

comfy, warm slippers

a coupon to visit a spa for the day

a gift certificate to her favorite clothing store

a personal letter (in your own handwriting) telling her why you love her and what you admire about her

her favorite flowers

MOVIE BUFF GIFT BASKET

fill a basket with:

pre-recorded movies ~ movie soundtracks on CD or cassette ~ batteries for the remote control ~ head cleaner for the VCR ~ movie tickets or gift certificates ~ popcorn

90) MUSIC LOVER'S GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with:

fan club membership (look for their favorite musician on the Web, many bands now have online fan clubs which also sell tickets, posters, t-shirts and more)~ CDs, cassettes of their favorite group ~ posters of their favorite

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group ~ biographies ~ sheet music ~ tickets to a concert ~ band t-shirts

MUSICIAN'S GIFT BASKET

Fill a decorative can with:

reeds/strings/drum sticks/mouthpiece - appropriate for the instrument they play ~ sheet music ~ valve oils for brass instrument players ~ Instrument strap ~ electronic tuner ~ metronome ~ recorded music of their favorite artists

MYSTERY LOVER'S GIFT BASKET

Fill a deer stalker hat with:

mystery novels ~ mystery game for computer ~ magnifying glass ~ puzzles or brain teaser books ~ how-to-host a mystery game

NAIL MANICURE GIFT BASKET

Use a cosmetic bag for a "basket".

Fill the bag with:

nail polish ~ emery boards ~ nail clippers ~ nail brush ~ cuticle remover ~ nail file ~ nail polish remover ~ cotton balls

NATURALIST'S GIFT BASKET

Fill a knapsack with:

binoculars ~ bird watching guide or wildlife or wildflower guide ~ log book and pen ~ maps ~ trail mix

NEEDLEPOINT LOVER'S GIFT BASKET

fill a basket with:

patterns ~ canvas ~ assorted thread ~ needles ~ thimble ~ frames for finished work

NEW AGE GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with:

tarot cards ~ crystals ~ scented candles ~ incense ~ new age music on CD or cassette ~ certificates for palm reading, psychic reading, etc. ~ books

NEW FATHER GIFT BASKET

FILL A BASKET WITH

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large Dad mug, bags of ground coffee, a double photo frame for the office, a new Dad T-shirt, books on fatherhood, disposable cameras, high-energy snacks (to double as breakfast), and a mini photo album for the office. NEW HOMEOWNER GIFT BASKET Use a tool box as a "basket". Fill the box with: screw drivers ~ wrench ~ hammer ~ pliers ~ assorted nails, screws, washers ~ gift certificate for the local hardware store ~ do-it-yourself book ~ assorted odds and ends like: light switch covers, light bulbs, duct tape, paint brushes, knobs and handles, etc. **NEW MOTHER GIFT BASKET** ear plugs small book about babies cute picture frame to keep babies picutre in hot/cold muscle relaxing bag lotion bath salts or aroma therapy bath powder her favorite scented candles hot chocolate packets large mug relaxing music CD coupons you make yourself for babysitting baby food recipes easy recipes you make in 20 minutes or less

NEW YEAR'S EVE GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with:

champagne ~ glasses ~ party hats ~ noise makers ~ sparklers ~ confetti ~ balloons ~ party invitations

NIGHT IN GIFT BASKET

Fill the basket with:

wine ~ wine glasses ~ pre-recorded movie ~ candle ~ candle holder ~ romantic pre-recorded music ~ appetizers: cheese and crackers, olives, something you've made yourself

NIGHT OUT GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with:

list of babysitters or coupons for babysitting ~ restaurant guide and/or gift certificates ~ movie reviews and/or tickets or, tickets to a show or a concert ~ cab fare ~ lighted key chain

OVER THE HILL GIFT BASKET

FILL A BASKET WITH:

hearing aid, laxative, joint ointment, hair replacement kit, bran flakes, batteries (to re-charge), doodle pad, decision maker.

OVER THE HILL GIFT BASKET 2

Fill a basket with

Depends adult diaper, corn pads, hemorrhoid ointment, a can of Ensure (aged nutritional supplement), denture paste, muscle rub, a bottle of Mylanta antacid-anti-gas, and a magnifying glass

PAINTER'S GIFT BASKET

Fill a decorative tin with:

paints (acrylic, water color or oil)~ brushes ~ paper or canvas ~ charcoal

PAMPER YOURSELF GIFT BASKET

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Fill a gift basket

loofa, bubble bath, bath crystals, sponge, scented candle, sparkling cider, relaxation eye mask, massage cream.

PASTA LOVER'S GIFT BASKET

Use a large pasta bowl for a "basket".

Fill the bowl with:

a package or two of gourmet pasta ~ tongs ~a package of sun-dried tomatoes ~ extra -virgin olive oil ~ spices : oregano, basil, garlic powder ~a collection of your favorite pasta recipes hand-printed on recipe cards ~ and /or a pasta cookbook

PERSONAL CARE GIFT BASKET

Fill a gift basket with

body cream, hand lotion, nail brushes, bubble bath, back massager, glycerin soap.

PIZZA PARTY GIFT BASKET

On a pizza stone or board,

arrange a variety of delicious domestic cheeses such as Parmesan, mozzarella and feta.

Add a pizza cutter,

homemade pizza sauce

and gourmet ingredients, like sun-dried tomatoes, olives and fresh herbs,

PUZZLE LOVER'S GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with:

Rubic's cube ~3D puzzle ~ jigsaw puzzle ~ word-search book ~ crossword puzzle book ~ slider puzzles ~ and any other puzzles you can find

110) RAINY DAY GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with:

deck of cards ~ cribbage board ~ find-a-word and/or crossword books and pencil ~ herbal tea ~ tea cup

RELAXATION GIFT BASKET

Fill the basket with:

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a gel eye-pack ~ Epsom salts or bubble bath ~ aroma therapy oils ~ scented candles ~ books on tape (to listen to in the bath)~ a hand-held massager ~ relaxing music on CD or cassette

RETIREMENT GIFT BASKET

a book about travel

their favorite sweets

coupon to their favorite activity store

a book about outdoor activities

a beginners how-to scrapbook book

crossword puzzle book with fancy pen

playing cards

a computers for beginners book

ROAD TRIP GIFT BASKET

Fill a tote bag with.

Maps ~ travel mug ~ sunglasses ~ hotel coupons ~ tire gauge ~ beaded seat cover ~t ravel games ~ recorded music on cassette or CD ~ car air freshener

SALON GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with:

salon shampoo and conditioner ~ hair brush and/or combs ~ barrettes ~ combs ~ scrunchies ~ clips, bows, pins, twists, etc. ~ book on hair styles ~

SCI-FI FAN GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with:

Science fiction novels ~ sci-fi movies ~ collectible figures (you know, the plastic ones modeled after TV and movie sci-fi characters)~ Spock ears ~ books about their favorite shows or authors ~ tickets to a sci-fi convention

SECRETARY'S GIFT BASKET

favorite flavored tea

fancy mug

favorite sweets

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favorite flowers

a letter (in your handwriting) telling them why they are important and why you appreicate them

hot/cold bag

foot lotion or foot aroma therapy bath powder

a coupon for an extra day off

coupon to her favorite restaurant

SEWING LOVER'S GIFT BASKET

fill a sewing basket with:

needles ~ assorted threads (stick to basic colors: black, white, navy, cream)~ pins ~ thimble ~ pin cushion ~ measuring tape ~ tracing wheel and paper ~ sewing club membership

SHOPPER'S GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with:

cushioned insoles ~ directories for local malls ~ gift certificates (get a lot of small ones for different stores)~ tote bag to carry home purchases ~ parking pass ~ list of babysitters or volunteer to baby sit ~ coupons

SHUTTERBUG GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket or a camera bag with:

assorted film \sim coupons for picture developing \sim filters for his/her camera \sim lens cleaning solution and cloth \sim assorted picture frames and/or albums

SKIER'S GIFT BASKET

Fill a tote bag with:

lip balm ~ sunscreen ~ goggles ~ gloves ~ scarf ~ ski pass ~ wax

SOAP OPERA FAN GIFT BASKET

Fill the basket with:

tissues ~ bonbons ~ soap opera magazines ~ biographies of their favorite stars ~ pictures of their favorite stars ~ blank video tapes ~ fan club membership

SOUP AND SANDWICH GIFT BASKET

In oversized soup cups or bowls, pack

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assorted domestic cheeses,

cans or box mixes of gourmet specialty soups,

sandwich rolls or crispy crackers.

Round off the gift with matching sandwich platters, soup spoons, recipe cards or a cookbook.

SPECIAL FRIEND GIFT BASKET

a letter telling them why you appreiciate them (leave it unsigned)

flowers

candies, sweets and cookies

a book that only you would know they would like

scented candles

a book about friendship or poems about friendship

a movie only you would know they would like

popcorn kernals with their favorite spices

anything else that is personal between you and your friend that they would like

SPICY FOOD LOVER GIFT BASKET

use a chili pot as a "basket". Fill it with:

spices: cayenne pepper, black pepper, white pepper, dried red peppers, chili powder, paprika ~ hot sauces like chili sauce ~ salsas ~ hot pickles (pick them up from an Asian food store)~ fresh peppers ~ pepto bismal ~ recipes

SPORTS ENTHUSIASTS GIFT BASKET

Fill the helmet or hat with:

sports cards ~ baseball, puck, etc .~ shoe , boot or skate laces ~ for the hockey player, add: lace tightener and some tape ~ for the baseball player, add: mineral oil, batting glove and gum ~a sports video ~a subscription to a sports magazine ~ a poster of their favorite player

STATIONARY GIFT BASKET

Fill a pretty gift tim

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writing paper, envelopes, pens, pencils, note cards, post cards, glue, sealing stickers, personalized address labels.

STOCK UP THE BAR GIFT BASKET

Fill an ice bucket with:

shot glasses ~ bottle opener ~ cork screw ~ maraschino cherries ~ cocktail napkins ~ jar of olives ~ fancy toothpicks or cocktail umbrellas ~ bar guide

SUMMERTIME GIFT BASKET

Use a Beach Bag for the "Basket" and fill with any of the following items

Beach Towel Folding Beach Mat Suntan Lotion Sunglasses Visor Mask and Snorkel Inflatable Float Inflatable Beach Ball Smash Ball Set Frisbee Compact radio/cassette player Travel-Sized Games Water Bottles Misting Bottle Sun Block Flip-Flops Water Gun

SYMPATHY GIFT BASKET

a cuddly teady bear

candy or sweets

fruit

crackers cheeses

flowers

some soothing flavored tea

SUNLOVER'S GIFT BASKET

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Fill the hat with: sunscreen ~ sunglasses ~ lemonade mix ~ novel 130) TEA LOVER'S GIFT BASKET Fill a basket with Loose tea, tea bags, infuser, oversized mug, spoon, cup warmer, decorative teapot, miniature teapot, porcelain teabag holder, tins for holding tea TEACHER'S GIFT BASKET favorite flavored tea fancy mug a few red apples chalk and brush a certificate you make yourself saying "Number One Teacher" and put a gold star on it, frame it favorite chocolate or sweets a nice frame with the class picture inside hot/cold bag foot lotion or foot aroma therapy bath powder

use a sun hat as a "basket".

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TEACHERS GIFT BASKET 2

Fill a basket with fun pencils,

"reward" toys,

erasers,

Post-It notepads,

Award pads, etc.

Decorate the basket with a "school" theme - instead of ribbon around the rim, glue on a row of pink erasers, alternating with some cute large plastic clips.

TEACHERS GIFT BASKET 3

Use a file tray for the basket and fill with any of the following

Red and Green Pencils
Red Ink Pens
Black Ink Pens
Cute Rubber Stamps
Ink Stamp Pad
Bag of Apple Chips
Jar of Apple Jelly
2 Large Red Apples
Mug Decorated with Apples
Cinnamon Apple Tea Bags
Note Pads
Post-It-Notes
Paper Clips

TEEN BOY GIFT BASKET

put in hat or packsack

subscription to his favorite teen magazine

movie pass

gift certificate to his favorite sports store or clothing store

his favorite cookies

his favorite music CD

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pass to his favorite gym or sport activity

gel or cologne

a letter from you (in your own handwriting) why you love him and what you admire about him

TEEN GIRL GIFT BASKET

put contents in a large purse or cosmetic bag

subscription to her favorite teen magazine

movie pass

gift certificate to her favorite clothes store

gift certificate to a day at a spa

her favorite cookies

her favorite music CD

her favorite nail polish - with remover

a letter from you (in your own handwriting) why you love her and what you admire about her

TEX MEX GIFT BASKET

Fill the basket with the makings for a great Mexican meal.

Add salsa, peppers, tortillas, and a variety of seasonings.

Add a couple of Coronas or Dos Equis (for adults only).

Line the basket with a bright checked napkin, and finish with a raffia bow.

THANK YOU GIFT BASKET

thank you card, explain in detail what you are thanking them for

flowers

scented candles

soothing flavored tea

candies, sweets and cookies

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fruit

TRAVELER'S GIFT BASKET

Fill a travel bag with:

travel pillow ~ travel alarm ~ flight schedules ~ gum ~ magazines or novels ~toothbrush

VACATION GIFT BASKET

album, disposable camera, travel size shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, tums, shaving cream.

VALENTINE'S DAY GIFT BASKET

put into large decorated

cardboard heart box

pink sugar cookies you've made yourself

their favorite sappy movie

wine or de-alcohol wine

scented candles

heart candies or chocolates

a coupon for a free back rub you will be giving

a romantic music CD

bubble bath

VEGETARIAN GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket, pot or large bowl with:

your favorite recipes hand-printed on recipe cards ~ assorted dried beans ~ brown rice ~ sun dried tomatoes ~ spices: oregano, thyme, basil, garlic powder, etc. ~ mixing spoons ~p ot holders

WARM YOU UP GIFT BASKET

mug, assorted cocoa mixes, peppermint sticks, hershey kisses, mini marshmallows all inside the basket.

WEARY FEET GIFT BASKET

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use a rubber tub as a "basket". Fill the tub with:

epsom salts or bubble bath \sim towel \sim pumice stone \sim foot lotion or foot powder \sim comfortable slippers \sim nail clippers

WELCOME GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with

stamps, phone book and an address book complete with personalized information of everyone in the neighborhood!

WINE LOVER'S GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with:

two bottles of quality wine, one red, one white ~ corkscrew ~ 2 or more wine glasses ~ wine appreciation book ~ tickets or an invitation to a wine tasting (often held at wine specialty shops or wineries)~ Extras : add snacks to go with the wine - fine cheese, fruit, crackers, etc.

WINE OR BEER MAKING GIFT BASKET

Fill a box with:

wine or beer kit ~ empty bottles ~ personalized or novelty wine/beer labels ~ beer caps or wine corks ~ caper ~ recipes ~

WINTER FUN GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with:

lip balm ~ moisturizer ~ mittens ~ hot packs ~a pass to the local ski hill ~ hot chocolate ~ Extras: add a crazy carpet or a sled (although it won't actually fit inside the "basket", you can present it on the side).

WOMEN'S ACCESSORIES GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with:

a silk scarf ~ scarf clip ~ earrings ~ belt ~ broach ~ necklace ~ perfume ~ evening purse

WOODWORKER'S GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket or rubber/plastic box with:

assorted sand papers ~ chisels ~ router bits ~ saw blades ~ files ~ varnishes ~ brushes ~ paints ~ patterns and/or instructions

150) "Wishing for Spring" Basket.

fill a plastic sand bucket with a couple of packets of herb seeds, a pair of garden gloves and add some

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homebaked cookies in the shape of flowers. Include some silk flowers.

WREATH MAKING GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket or a rubber/plastic box with:

grape vine wreath ~ dried flowers ~ pine cones ~ hot glue gun and glue sticks ~ wreath hanger ~ ribbon

WRITER'S GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket with:

lined note pads ~ an engraved pen ~ reference books (dictionary, thesaurus, quotes, how-to books)~ pocket tape recorder and tapes ~ style guide newsletter or magazine subscription ~ books about how to get published

YOUNGSTER'S GIFT BASKET

Fill a basket or a small toy box with:

silly putty ~ assorted magnets ~ magnifying glass ~ yo-yo ~ paper airplane kit ~ kite ~ kaleidoscope ~ puzzles

Package Ideas

Ladies purse

Crockpot

Pasta bowl

Tera cotta pot

Large mug

Toy dump truck

Serving tray

Lunch box

Ice cream bucket

large picnic basket

baby bath tub

large salad bowl

medium sized cooler
large casserole dish
cowboy hat
laundry basket
sewing box – basket
tackle box
large cosmetic bag
backpack
large wok
storage container
gold fish bowl
cookie jar
Fillers
colored grass
straw
raffia
fabric
colored, crumpled tissue paper

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~~~SURVIVAL KIT IDEAS~~~

Here is a variety of things you can add to a survival kit. Choose the items that seem appropriate to the moment, package in a pretty container, wrap with tissue and tie with ribbon. Add a card with the name of the survival kit and the meaning of the contents.

SWEET & SOUR CANDY

To help you appreciate the differences in others.

A STICK OF GUM

To remind you to stick with it To remind you to "chews" the right thing

A CHOCOLATE KISS

To remind you that someone loves you.

A TOOTSIE ROLL

To remind you not bite off more than you can chew.

SMARTIES

To remind you that you are smart.

STARBURST

To give you a burst of energy on the days you don't have any

A PAPER CLIP

To help keep things together when they seem to be getting out of control.

PENCIL

For the next time somebody says "get the lead out"

BALLOON

To remind you not to blow up

A TISSUE

To wipe away a tear-- your own or someone else's.

A CANDY KISS

ERASER

To say "I love you" in a sweet way.

To remind you that everyday you can start with a clean slate.
A POEM
To share the beauty of words.
A PENNY
So that you will never have to say, "I'm broke."
A MARBLE
In case someone says "You've lost all your marbles!"
EYES (googly ones)
To help you see the good in others
PACKET OF SEEDS
To remind you that you are always growing!
CONFETTI
To celebrate your joys of life.
QUARTER
If you need a friend, call me
SPOON
(plastic) - Sometimes you have to stir things up a bit.
PIECE OF STRING
For when you reach the end of your rope - this will keep you going a bit longer. To tie things together when everything falls apart.
TEA BAG
Take a few minutes to yourself and relax.
BATTERY
To give you that extra charge to keep going & going & going.
STICKY TAPE
Thanks for "sticking" to it

BAND-AID

For healing hurt feelings, yours and someone else's.

CANDLE

To remind you to share your light with others. To remind you there is a light at the end of the tunnel.

HAPPY FACE

Smiling not only increases your face value, it is contagious.

RUBBER BAND

A reminder to stay flexible or To help you stretch yourself to new limits.

COTTON BALL

For the rough roads, seek the cushioned support of your family and friends.

LIFESAVERS

To remind you of the many times others need help and we need theirs.

SANDPAPER

To help you file away the rough spots of the year

A MATCH

To help you through the darkness of uncertainty.

A RECIPE

To make when you want to do something special for someone.

A NOTE CARD

To send a long-overdue greeting to a friend or a relative or to someone who is lonely.

WASHER

To wash away your troubles

AN ERASER

To erase any mistakes or misunderstandings that are troubling you.

A SMALL SMOOTH STONE

To remind you that rough times help refine and polish...use for smoother tomorrows.

A SMALL SQUARE OF SHELF GRIP MATERIAL

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To remind you to get a grip on things! When you think you're slippin' Use this to get grippin'!! To use when you think you are losing your grip!

Accountant Survival Kit

Abacus - for when your calculator wears out Marbles - to replace the ones you will loose Rope - in case you get to the end of yours

Penny- to give you extra cents (sense) to know which battles to fight, & which ones to ignore.

Magic Wand - for the magician people think you should be

Piece of string - to help you "tie-up" those loose ends.

A Lifesaver - to keep you from drowning in everyday problems.

A lemon drop - to remind you that "when life gives you lemons, you make lemonade."

A lollipop - to help you lick your problems.

A rubber band - to help you to remember to be "flexible" in all things.

A Snicker candy bar - to remind you that laughter IS the best medicine.

A paper clip - to help you "hold it all together."

A stick of gum - to give you that "stick-to-it" attitude.

A safety pin - to help you "pin-point" your problems, the better to solve them

Get out of Jail Free card - for that tax return you fudged on

A mint - so you will always have a fresh outlook . Candle - for when you're burning the midnight oil

Battery - to help you keep going and going and going.

Candy kiss - to remind you that you are loved by me!

Anti-Depression Kit

Eraser: A reminder that we all make mistakes, but we can wipe the slate clean.

Penny: Save this and you will never be broke again.

Marble: To keep you rolling along.

Rubber Band: To keep you bouncing back and flexible.

Candle: To light up the darkness. Tissue: For drying your tears.

Toothpick: To pick out the good in others including yourself.

Cotton Ball: For the rough roads ahead. Confetti: To add some sparkle to your life.

Lifesaver: To remind you of the many times others need your help and you need theirs.

Rainbow: A reminder that after every storm comes a rainbow. Paper Clip: To hold everything together when it falls apart. A Hug & Kiss: To remind you that someone cares about you!

Back to school survival kit

This kit can be given by the teacher to the students when they return to school for a new year.

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Cotton Ball ~ to remind you that our classroom is full of kind words and warm comfortable feelings.

Chocolate Hug ~ to comfort you when you are feeling sad or alone.

Sticker ~ to remind you that this class sticks together and helps each other.

Starburst candy ~ to remind you that you are always a star in this class...and everyone shines in his own way.

Tissue ~ to remind you to help dry someone's tears.

Toothpick ~ to remind you to "pick out" the good things in your classmates and yourself.

Ribbon ~ to remind you that friendship ties our hearts together.

Eraser ~ to remind you that everyone makes mistakes and this is okay.

Life Saver Candy ~ to remind you that you can come to any adult in our school for help.

Band Aid ~ to remind you that feelings get hurt easily

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Put the items in red in a baggie and attach the poem.

Dear Student's name
You are a star in my class (Starburst)
It's ok to make mistakes; that's how we learn (Eraser)
You are going to learn so much this year (Smarties)
Everyone needs a hug-let me know if you need one (Hersey's hug)
I'm nuts about having you in my class (Peanut in shell)
From, teacher's signature

### Backpackers Survival Kit

Lifesavers - in case you fall into the water
Skittles - in case it rains, you can provide your own rainbow
Cotton ball - to help soften the rough roads
Battery - so you can keep going and going and going and going
Gum - to remind everyone to stick together
Quarter - so you can call for help
Sponge - in case it rains to soak it up
Fireball - for when you're burnt out
Map with your street circled - so you can always find home
2 Kernels of corn - for when you crave a two-piece chicken dinner
Chocolate Covered Raisins (Animal Poop) - so you know what not to step in
Tums - for after the campfire food
Small Empty Bottle - "Instant Water" add water and shake

### BASEBALL COACH SURVIVAL KIT

Sponge...to remind you that some days your kids will think you are all wet! Marbles...to replace the ones you use

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Puzzle Piece...to remind you that every child is an important part of the team

Gum...to help your team stick together

String...for when you get to the end of your rope

Rubberband...to remind you to be flexible

Clay...to remind you that you are forming young lives

Snickers Bar...to remind you to just laugh at the umpires bad calls

Ear Plugs...for when you can't hear yourself think

Peanuts...to remind you that it's ok to be nutty sometimes

Sweet & Sour Candies...to appreciate the differences in your players

Eraser...to remind you that even coaches and umpires make mistakes

Star...to make every player shine

Bubble Gum...to remind you not to burst any child's bubble

Balloon...so you can teach your team to reach for the sky!

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### Bike Rider Survival Kit

First Aid Kit - For All wounds during bike ride Kleenex - For the tears of joy at the finish line Comb - Keep that hair in style Flashlight - Light up your life Cotton Balls - Cushion the blows Eyedrops - Keeps the eyes fresh Erasers - Erases the pain Lip Chap - No cracked lips Bubble Bath - Soak those tired muscles Cologne - Remove the odor of sweat Sweat Bands - Keep the sweat out of your eyes Sun Blocker - NO sunburn Moist Towelette - Keep cool Compass - Never be lost, stay on track Anti fog for glasses

# Birthday Survival Kit Ideas

Money: So you" have some to burn

Confetti- Don't go to pieces just because your another year older!

Crayon-So you can have a bright and colorful day Candle: Remember not to burn it at both ends Balloon - Let the air out of all your worries

Candy- May your special day be as sweet as your are!

Streamers to decorate your soul

A party horn --so you can toot your own! A party top hat--cause you're tops~!

A teensy gift that is wrapped with the "gift" poem on it

A piece of wrapping paper-so you can wrap yourself in surprises

Cake sprinkles--to shower you with a rainbow of happiness

A sugar rose-to remind you to stop and smell the roses along the way

matches -to light your birthday candle or your fire!

An ice cream cone--to savor the moment (perhaps make a satin ice cream scoop to put in it!).

A cup cake--so you can have your cake and eat it too..(make a satin cupcake, using a foil cupcake paper doubled, and wad up some stuffing and put it in a circle of satin that is then glued into the paper cup--add some lace or trim around the edge of the satin ball where it meets the paper cup)

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#### **BIRTHDAY SURVIVAL KIT 2**

This is a "make your day" kit

ERASER to wipe all your mistakes away
MAGNET to help put things your way
MARBLE so no one can say you've lost yours
PENNY so you will never be broke
RUBBER BAND so you can stretch beyond your expectations
piece of STRING to keep all the parts of your life together
HUG and KISS to "make your day as good as new

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

#### **Bus Driver Survival Kit**

Tootsie roll - so you can "roll" down the highway Sponge - to soak up the rain, so you don't have to drive in it Mounds - for the mounds of miles that you drive Marbles - to replace the ones you've lost Gem - to remind you that you are carrying precious cargo Aspirin - take two every day Cotton Ball - to cushion those rough roads Rubberbands - for when your patience is stretched Tums - for all the nervous stomachs Mirror - to remind you how important you are.

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### Cheerleader Survival Kit

Happy Face Sticker - to remind you to smile, smile, smile Throat Lozenge - to soothe your throat after yelling for the team Rubberband - to remind you to stretch before jumping Star - to remind you to always do your best Puzzle Piece - without you the squad wouldn't be complete Starburst...to give you a "burst" of energy when you need it Peanuts...to remind you that it's ok to be nutty sometimes

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### Chef Survival Kit

Cookbook with givers favorite recipes
Tums or Rolaids - For when things don't turn out as planned
Apron, Personalized? - for when things get a little messy
Pot holder or oven mitt - When things get too hot to handle

Wooden spoon - When somebody has a smart comment about the food Baker's chocolate - You can't go wrong with chocolate Measuring spoons - ??????

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Dishcloth and dishtowel - You made the mess, you get to clean it up

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#### CHRISTIAN SURVIVAL KIT

candle- to remind you to share His light with others rubber band- to remind us to be flexible to God's will for us Life saver- to remind you of the many times others have needed your help and you theirs eraser- God forgives our sins, we must do the same for ourselves and others. cotton ball- to keep our hearts soft to God and others snickers candy bar- to remind you to laugh at yourself- laughter is good medicine hug (the Hershey kiss kind) because we all need one from time to time cross- to remind you of the sacrifice He made because He loves you.

#### Christmas Survival Kit

Tylenol - to take away the headache of overdoing
Tea - To calm, relax, and soothe away the tension
Pepperments - to settle the tummy from overindulging
Slimfast - to kick off the diet you will need to start
Pocket date book - to track all of the must do's
Cassette tape or CD - soothing quiet music to listen to while wrapping gifts
Tape - to use to wrap the gifts because you forgot to buy any
A package of gift tags that you made
Quick easy yummy everyone will love cookie recipe
Bath oil or bubble bath to soothe the weary body

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# Cold Comfort Kit

Pretty mug
Jar of Drink Mix
Box of Kleenex

Semi-trashy paperback book or whatever suits the recipient

To make drink mix, layer in small jar:

1/2 cup dry Tang orange drink mix

1/2 cup dry instant tea

1/2 cup dry pre-sweetened lemonade mix

1 teaspoon apple or pumpkin pie seasoning

Instructions for Cold Comfort Mix:

Shake jar until ingredients are mixed. Add 2 to 3 tablespoons mixture to a cup of hot water. Stir. Curl up with Kleenex and a good book. Feel better soon!

#### Convention Survival Kit

Pad of paper - for ideas
Lifesavers - one for each day
Highlighter - for the bright ideas
Permanent Marker - it was for signatures and writing on the glossy pages of the new catalog

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Sunkist Gels [candy] - for a mid-afternoon pick-me-up Post-it notes - just because you can't live without 'em!

#### Crochet Survival Kit

When in doubt or when problems arise, reach for your survival kit. It contains:

A LOLLIPOP.....to help you lick your stitch problems

A RUBBERBAND.....in case you run out of yarn and you just have to crochet

A PAPER CLIP.....to use as a crochet hook in an emergency

A CARAMEL.....so you won't starve when you can't take time away from crochet to eat

A PIN.....to help you pinpoint pattern problems

A PIECE OF YARN.....to help you tie up loose ends

A PENNY....so that you have enough "cents" to realize what a valuable asset you are to other Crocheters!

#### Cruise Survival Kit

Smarties, Lifesavers, Gummy Worms, Goldfish Crackers, and a popsicle stick

You ask, "What is it?"

It's SEASICK PILLS for your tummy's ills.

And LIFE SAVERS to keep you a float in case you fall off the boat.

If you want to fish, please don't wait the GUMMY WORM'S AND THE GOLDFISH are your bait.

Last but not least, one thing more -a PADDLE, to help you row to shore.

### Dancer's Survival Kit

Sunscreen to protect you from burning
Solarcane to take away your burning
Chapstick to protect your beautiful lips
Band aids to comfort your boo boo's
Ben gay to comfort your tired mussels
Throat losenger to comfort your tired throat Power bar to get you through practice
Deodorant to keep you smelling oh so pretty
Scrunches so we can see your beautiful face

Tape to keep it all together Smiley sticker to remind you to smile smile smile

STAR to remind you that you are

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### **DAUGHTER**

Heart-to remind you that there's no one like a Daughter to fill ones heart with love.

Smiley Face- to remind you to always share your smile with others.

Ribbon- to let you know our Friendship is a special gift, tied with Ribbons of love.

Mint- You are "Worth A Mint' to so many People.

Angel- To watch over you each day.

Stars- To remind you to "Reach for the stars"

Rubberband- To give you the extra stretch and Fexibity to meet the demands of each day.

Kiss- to remind you that "THAT I LOVE YOU"

Flower- to let you know that If Daughters were flowers, I'd pick you.

Penny- to make sure you're never broke.

#### DAY CARE PROVIDER SURVIVAL KIT

Mounds: For the mounds of information you learn. Crayon: To color your day bright and cheerful.

Peanuts: To be a little nutty sometimes and have a good laugh.

Puzzle Piece: Without you, things wouldn't be complete.

Band-Aid: For when things get a little rough.

Aspirin: When all else fails, take 2 and find a guiet corner.

Hugs and Kisses: To keep you going.

Marbles: To replace those you might lose from time to time.

Sponge: To soak up the overflow, when your brain is too full to hold anymore.

Cup: For when yours is overflowing.

#### Dieter's Survival Kit

Magnifying Glass- So your Portions will appear larger.

Lifesaver- I took the Calories out of the Hole!

Gum- Too give you something to chew on when you need to keep your mouth busy

Tootsie Roll- Because sometimes you just have to have something chocolate

SafetyPin- To help you hold your clothes up when they get too big!

Rubberband-Use as a finger and toe exerciser and watch those Calories just melt away.

Toothpicks- Miniature chop sticks: guaranteed to help you eat less Food.

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#### Divorce Survival Kit

Shampoo - to wash that man right out of your hair.

Rubber Ball - to help you "bounce" back.

Tootsie Roll - to help you roll with the punches.

Marbles - to replace the ones lost.

Lifesaver candy - for when you feel you are drowning in litigation.

Skittles Candy - to remind you that there is a rainbow at the end of every storm.

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Paperclip - to help you hold it all together.

Piece of String - when you get to the end of your rope, tie a knot to this and hang on.

Eraser - to remind you that you can start all over with a clean slate.

Pack of Gum - to remind you that your friends will "stick" by you.

Candle - to light up the dark times.

Cotton Ball - to cushion the rough roads ahead.

A lemon drop - to remind you that "when life gives you lemons, you make lemonade."

A penny - to give you the extra cents (sense) to know which battles are worth fighting, and which are better ignored.

Hugs & Kisses - from me, whenever you need them.

### Doctor's Survival Kit

\$100 Grand Bar- incase some patients can't pay their bill

Butterfingers-so you never have a case of your own

Gum-use this to get out of "sticky" situations

Starburst-Chew when you have been on call too long and you need a quick "burst of energy

Plastic Maze-This will remind you that you are truly "amazing"

Fireball- For the times you feel completely "burned out"

Rubberband-For when your "patients" are being stretched

Snickers- After all--Laughter is the best medicine

Tylenol-take 2 and call me in the morning

Lifesaver-To remind you that you are a real lifesaver

Tissue-for drying tears

Coke-Caffeine, Caffeine, CAFFEINE

Pacifier-For emergencies (when you need to pacify those that are unhappy)

#### Everyday Life Survival Kit

Toothpick: Pick the good qualities in everyone including yourself.

Rubberband: Be flexible. Things might not always go the way you want.

Band-Aid: To heal hurt feelings, either yours or someone else's.

Eraser: Everyone makes mistakes. That's okay, we learn by our mistakes.

Candy Kiss: Everyone needs a hug or a compliment everyday.

Mint: You are worth a mint to your family and friends.

Bubble Gum: Stick with it and you can accomplish anything.

Pencil: List your blessings every day.

Tea bag: Relax daily and go over your list of blessings.

#### Father of the Bride

In order to assist you during this most difficult fortnight prior to the Big Event, and having experienced the grievous effects of this sort of \*\*\* in the past, I enclose the following aids:

1. One pound of \$1,000 bills. When the wedding is through and the bills arrive, you will need every last one! (Unfortunately, these were not real.)

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2. Receipt book--There are 32 receipts in the book. I can assure you that these will not be enough, but it's a start. Good luck!

- 3. Aspirin. This may look like a big bottle, but no bottle could be big enough.
- 4. Post-its. Your wife and daughter will come up with so many ideas, suggestions, demands, orders, etc., that you'll use up this book of 100 post-its by tomorrow afternoon.
- 5. Kleenex. No, these aren't for the moment when you hand your daughter over to the groom. They are to absorb your tears as the money flows out the door.
- 6. Imodium AD--It's true--you aren't just losing a daughter. You are also losing your money, sleep, patience, golf game, and more.
- 7. Olives. Martinis will help get you through.
- 8. Matches. When the arguments and discussions about the reception, flowers, dinner, wine, hard liqueur, band, etc., become overwhelming, you have my permission to "torch the hall."
- 9. Ear Plugs. To help you retain your sanity.
- 10. A "Show Me The Money" desk plaque. Yes, it's just a plaque to set on your desk, but it sends the right message!

Do your best to hang in! Time flies when you're having fun!

### Fireman's Survival Kit

Lifesaver - to remind you that that's what you are

Piece of string - for when you get to the end of your rope

Silk Rose - to help you always smell sweet

Hugs & Kisses - because you deserve them from all

Jewel - because you are as valuable as a precious stone

Tissues - to wipe the tears of joy and sadness

Mounds Bar - for the mounds of courage you need

Starburst - for that "Burst" of energy that you need

Star - to remind you that you are a star in the eyes of children

A Smile - to replace the ones you give away

Mints - to help you cool down after a fire

Band-Aid - in case you need some TLC

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Almond Joy - to replace the joy you give to others

#### Fishermen's Survival Kit

Band-Aid for when you get hooked instead of the fish.

Cotton ball for when you're in rough waters.

Lifesaver (candy) in case the boat tips over.

Paper clip for when you run out of hooks.

Skittles in case it rains, you've got your own rainbow.

Gummy worms in case you run out of bait.

Magic wand to "boat" the big ones that always seem to get away.

A gift certificate for pizza in case you don't catch any fish

Labels to attach to the fish that say "Objects are larger than they appear."

#### Friendship Mugs

These things can be put in pretty mug. Tie a bow on the handle

PAPER CLIP: to help keep things together when they seem to be slipping out of control.

TISSUE: to wipe away a tear, your own or someone else's

SMALL SMOOTH STONE: to remind you that rough times help refine and polish--use for smoother tomorrows

NOTE CARD: to send a long overdue greeting to a friend or relative

POEM: to share the beauty of words

BUTTON: to remind us that we are all different

PLAYING CARD: a reminder to be playful and have fun

TWO TEA BAGS: invite me over for a chat

### Friendship Survival Kit

A mint: you're worth a mint to me.

A button: If you can't say something nice, it's better to "button your lip".

A tissue: For drying tears.

A toothpick: To "pick out" the good qualities in everyone.

A gold thread: Friendship is the golden thread that ties together our hearts. A flower: In the "garden of life" each friendship is beautiful and unique.

Lifesavers: Sometimes we all need a little help.

Cotton Ball: To cushion the rough roads.

Rubber Band: For flexibility!

Sweet & Sour Tarts: A reminder to appreciate the differences in others.

A Hug & Kiss: Sometimes we all need hugs & kisses.

Happy Faces: Smiling is contagious

Candle: You light up my life

Band-Aid: For healing hurt feelings.
Paper Clip: To keep everything together.
A Star: To reflect your inner beauty

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# A Friendship Survival Kit 2

COTTON BALL is to remind you that this room is full of friends, kind words, and warm feelings

CHOCOLATE KISS is to comfort you when you are feeling sad

STICKER is to remind you that we all stick together and help each other

RUBBER BAND is to remind you to hug someone

PENNY -is to remind you that you are valuable and special

STAR is to remind you to shine and always try your best

TISSUE is to remind you to help dry someone's tears

TOOTHPICK is to remind you to "pick out" the good qualities in yourself and others

THREAD is to remind you that friendship ties our hearts together

ERASER is to remind you that everyone makes mistakes and that it is okay

LIFESAVER is to remind you that you can come to me if you need someone to talk to

### Friendship Bag

This bag holds a few reminders of friendship!

Lifesavers: A reminder of the times we need others help and they need ours.

Cotton Ball: To cushion the rough roads, a symbol of support from family and friends!

Rubber Band: For flexibility!

Sweet & Sour Tarts: A reminder to appreciate the differences in others.

A Hug & Kiss: A reminder that we all need hugs & kisses. Happy Faces: Smiling increases face value and is contagious!

Candle: A reminder to share your light with others. Bandaid: For healing hurt feelings -- yours and others.

Eraser: A reminder that everyday you can start over with a clean slate.

Toothpick: To pick out the good in everyone -- including yourself. Button: To button your lips when you have nothing good to say.

Golden Thread: To tie hearts together in friendship.

Bubble Gum: So that you can blow bubbles instead of words

Gum: A reminder that friends stick together through good and bad.

Rock: To remind you of the durability of our friendship.

Mint: A reminder that you are WORTH A MINT as my friend!!!!

### A FRIENDSHIP BAG 2:

Keep your Friendship Bag handy and ready to use at all times!

A mint: you're worth a mint to me.

A button: If you can't say something nice, it's better to "button your lip" (or to close your mouth before

saying an unkind word )
A tissue: For drying tears.

A toothpick: To "pick out" the good qualities in everyone.

A gold thread: Friendship is the golden thread that ties together our hearts. A flower: In the "garden of life" each friendship is beautiful and unique.

Lifesavers: Sometimes we all need a little help.

Cotton Ball: To cushion the rough roads.

Rubber Band: For flexibility!

Safety pin: to bind us together in friendship

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Sweet & Sour Tarts: A reminder to appreciate the differences in others.

A Hug & Kiss: Sometimes we all need hugs & kisses. (or Everyone needs daily TLC)

Happy Faces: Smiling is contagious

Candle: You light up my life

Band-Aid: For healing hurt feelings. (or to help a friend who needs mending)

Paper Clip: To keep everything together. A Star: To reflect your inner beauty

Recipe card: To share a favorite with a friend as a symbol of caring Eraser: To remind you that every day you can start with a clean slate

Small smooth stone: to remind you that rough times refine and polish- use for smoother tomorrows

Note card: to send a long overdue greeting to a friend or relative

Playing card: a reminder to be playful and have fun

#### Get Well Survival Kit for little ones

Tootsie Roll ~~ To help all the pain, "roll" off your back

Snicker's Bar ~~ To remind you that laughter is the best medicine.

Lifesavers ~~ To "save" you from feeling bored.

Dum-Dum (Sucker) ~~ To remind you to not do anything that silly again.

Chocolate Covered Raisins ~~ For when your spirits need "Raisin"

Flipz ~~ To remind you that you will be back to doing "flips" in no time.

Mounds Bar ~~ To remind you of how much you are loved.

\$100,00 Bar ~~ To give to Mom, to pay her back for how much this little accident is going to cost her.

Bubbles ~~ To just blow all your worries away.

Hugs and Kisses ~~ Because they always make you feel better.

# A Survival Kit from God

Lollipop to help you lick your problems

A Rubberband to help you be flexible and not to break

Snickers to remind you to laugh in the face of trials.

A Paper Clip to help you hold things together.

Caramel to help you chew the fat with good friends (PALS)

A Sweet Tart to help you accept and appreciate the differences in others

Stick of Gum to give you stick-to-it-iveness.

Piece of String to help you tie up loose ends.

A Pin to pinpoint problems

A Lifesaver to keep you from drowning in everyday chores.

Lemon Drop to remind you that "if live gives you lemons, make lemonade"!

A Penny to give you extra "cents" that everyone needs.

Nail to help you remember how much you are worth to me.

A Hug and Kiss to remind you how much I Love You.

Do not try to shoulder all the worlds problems......That's My Job!!!

Love, Your Heavenly Father

### Getting Old Survival Kit

Small box of Bran Flakes

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Alarm Whistle - for when you've fallen and you can't get up Magnifying Glass - to help you when you read Starburst Candy - for extra energy Blue M&Ms or Skittles - Generic Viagra Cane Baby Food - To help you adjust to softer foods

Instant Hair Grow - to replace the hair you will loose (I got a small spray bottle and made a label on my computer

with "Instant Hair Grow" Spray once every day. )

While you were Napping Pad - so you don't miss any messages while you are napping

Toothpicks - to help prop your eyes open so you don't fall asleep

Fireball Candy - to put the fire back into your life

Rubberband - to give you your flexibility back

Aspirin -for all the new little aches and pains

Hug and Kiss - because I really do love you

#### Girl Scout Leader Survival Kit

Mounds- for the mounds of information you learn.

Crayon to color your day bright and cheerful

Nuts to be a little nutty sometimes, and have a good laugh

Puzzle Piece without you, things wouldn't be complete

Bandaid for healing hurt feelings, yours or someone elses

Marbles to replace those we loose from time to time.

Rope to remind you that when you reach the end of yours, just tie a know and hang on!

Sponge to soak up the overflow, when your brain is too full to hold anymore.

Cup for when yours is overflowing

Rubberband: a reminder to stay flexible

Asprin when all else fails, take 2 and find a quiet corner

String to tie things together when everything falls apart

Eraser to remind you that everyone makes mistakes, and that's okay.

Sweet and sour candy to help you accept and appreciate the differences in others

Hugs and Kisses to remind you that someone cares for you

Penny so you'll never be broke

Paper clip to help you hold it all together

Candle to remind you to share your light with others

### Golfer Survival Kit

Chocolate Golf Balls - for the golfer that lost his Aspirin - for the headaches this game causes Band-Aid - for blisters Eraser - to start each golf game off with a clean slate Wooden Egg - for all those Birdies Lifesaver - for when your ball is in the water Quarter - may this NOT be the only "eagle" you get Rubberband - stay flexible when you swing

#### Graduate Survival Kit

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Glitter-to sparkle all night long
Battery-so you can keep going & going
Chapstick-to keep your lips kissable
Starburst-for a burst of energy
Nuts-to remind you to get a little nutty
Mirror, Perfume atomizer, Mouth freshener-to stay ready!
Fan-to cool down when you're too hot to handle
Hugs & Kisses-to remind you how special you are to me!!

# Grandparent's Survival Kit

Hand Lotion - to remind you that babies need lots of soft touches
Safety Pin- to help remind you to be safe
Marbles - to replace the ones you will loose
Lifesavers - to remind you that grandparents can be lifesavers
Pen & paper - to write down your thoughts & memories to share when they are older
Small hand-mirror - to remind you that you play an important roll in the life of your grandchild!
Wipes - for cleaning up those little messes
Candle - to remind you, you will be the light of that child's eye
Peppermint - to remind you that you are worth a mint
Brag Book - so you will always have your grandchild near
Sweet & Sour Candy - to remind you that every child can be both
Clock - to remind you that time passes to quickly...enjoy every minute
Mounds Bar - for the mounds of wisdom you will pass onto your grandchild
Hershey's Hugs & Kisses - because you deserve them!

### Guardian Angel Survival Kit

Make life beautiful: one day at a time! Smiley Faces: Smiling is contagious. Band-Aid: To fix hurt feelings.

Rubberband: To stretch you beyond your limits.

Glitter: To make life sparkle!

Sweet & Sour Candy: A reminder to appreciate the differences in others.

Eraser: A reminder that everyday can begin with a clean slate. Gum: A reminder to think before you "chew" others out.

Toothpick: To pick out the good in everyone including yourself.

Button: To button your lips when you have nothing

# **Gymnastics Inspiration Kit**

A small wooden bead -- Block on Vault
A sticky wall walker -- Stick Beam
A smiley face button -- Smile on Floor
A leather strip or string -- Connect on Bars
These were all strung together on the leather strip.
All of these items were small and fit into a plastic film container.

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#### Hairdresser Survival Kit

Tootsie Roll - to help complaints "roll" off your back

Button - to remind you to sometimes button your lip

Dollar - for the tip you didn't receive

Rubberband - to remind you to be flexible

Mint - because you are worth a mint to your customers

Happy Face (Sticker) - to remind you to keep smiling

Paperclip - to help hold it all together Cotton Balls - to cushion all the standing you do

Lollipop - to help you "Lick" anything

Lifesaver - to remind you of the many times you have been a lifesaver

Magic Wand - to remind you of the many times you have been a magician

Band-Aid - to heal your hurt feelings

Sweet & Sour Tarts - to remind you to appreciate the differences in others.

Gum - to remind you to "stick" with that difficult client

Starburst - to give you that burst of energy at the end of the day

Hugs & Kisses - you deserve them

### HIGH SCHOOL SURVIVAL KIT

Contained in this kit are a few items to help you through your high school years.

A lollipop - to help you lick your problems

Tissues - to wipe your eyes after sleeping during class

A sponge - to soak up knowledge

Tootsie Roll - to help you roll with the punches

An eraser - so each day you can start with a clean slate

paper clip - to hold everything together

pencil - to "write your wrongs"

candle - when you're up late studying

piece of string - to help you tie up loose ends

pack of gum - to remind you to "stick" together as a class

Mounds bar - for the information you'll learn

Cotton ball - for when you can't hear yourself think

Band-Aid - to heal hurt feelings

button - to remind you that sometimes you have to "button your lip"

penny - so you have enough "cents" to realize what a valuable person you are

safety pin - for little emergencies

starburst - to remind you that you are always a "star" in my book

hugs and kisses - to remind you that you are loved.

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#### Holidays Survival Kit

- 1. A stick of gum to remind you to stick to it.
- 2. A candle to remind you to shine brightly.
- 3. A chocolate kiss to remind you that you are loved.
- 4. A match to light your fire when you feel burned out.
- 5. A Tootsie Roll to remind you not to bite off more than you can chew.
- 6. A pin to remind you to stay sharp.
- 7. A Smartie to help you on those days you don't feel so smart.
- 8. A Starburst to give you a burst of energy on days you don't have any.
- 9. A Snickers to remind you to take time to laugh.
- 10. Confetti to remind you to have fun.

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- 11. A bandage to fix things that just will not work.
- 12. A bag to help you keep it all together and give you food for thought.

### Hurricane Survival Kit

Radio Batteries - to keep up-to-date on the world around you
Pencil & Paper - to make up for not being able to use the puter
Band-aids - for the boo-boos you'll get when cleaning all that debris
Lifesaver - because you are one to the cat that's stuck in the tree
Marble - to replace the MANY that you'll lose in the wind
Glitter - to remind you to look on the bright side
A Match - to light a fire when you're cold
A String - to tie things together when everything falls apart, literally!
Tylenol - for the headache you'll have when you see the mess you'll have to clean up!
Candle - to light your way in the dark night

### Ice Hockey Coach Survival Kit

Eraser - to remind you that even coaches make mistakes
Cotton Ball - to cushion all the falls
Throat Lozenges - for when you loose your voice
Fireball - to warm you up on the ice
Marbles - to replace the ones you loose
Teeth -(those false play ones) to replace the ones you could loose
Gum - to help your team stick together
Star - to help you make every child shine
Snickers Bar - to remind you that laughter can overcome all
Puzzle Piece - to remind you that every child is an important part of the puzzle
Balloon - to remind you to teach the children to reach for the sky
Tums - for all the upset stomachs
Hugs & Kisses - to remind you that you are appreciated
Bubble Gum - to remind you not to burst any child's bubble

#### KINDERGARTEN SURVIVAL KIT

The penny is to remind you that you are valuable
The star is to remind you to always try your best
The eraser is to remind you that it's okay to make mistakes
The life saver is to let you know that you can always talk to me
The tissue is for drying your tears and those of others
The band-aid is to let you know that together we can make things better
The chocolate hug is to remind you that you are cared for
The sticker is to remind you that we always stick together

### LAS VEGAS SURVIVAL KIT

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Quarter ... So you won't leave there broke

Fritos ... When you loose all your "chips" at the table, here are some extra ones.

Almond Joy ... To remind you that this is supposed to be fun.

Playing Card ... Your Ace in the hole.

Kleenex ... To wipe away the tears if you loose.

Starburst ... For that extra burst of energy at 2 in the morning.

Hamburger ... so you can get nourished without leaving the slot machines.

Lollipop ... To remind you not to be a "sucker".

Goggles ... To help you find the "sharks" (card sharks)

Extra Shirt ... For when you loose yours.

Wiggle Eyes ... To remind you to keep an "eye" out for each other.

Toothpick ... To help you "pick" out the good machines.

Hugs and Kisses ... To remind you that no matter what, you are loved.

For the Hamburger.....I used those candy hamburgers the gummi ones. For the extra Shirt...I used some old doll clothes. For the goggles....I found some at the dollar store.

#### LEAVING HOME SURVIVAL KIT

Sugar Baby: 'Cause you'll always be my Sugar Baby

PayDay: To remind you to call me on pay day when you have the money

Starburst: "Cause you'll always be a star in my book Fireball: To replace the energy you'll use up by missing us

Hugs and Kisses: To remind you that we love you

Milky Way: To remember the way home Ribbon: To tie a knot in and hang onto us

Toothpick: To remind you to pick your friends carefully

Pen, stamps & envys: To write those long letters we'll be waiting for

Baggie: To hold your wit so you won't lose it

Paper Moon: To remind you not to take everything at face value

# Love Survival Kit

On a pretty piece of paper perhaps on a lace doily print the following:

Reminders of why I love you:

Sweet Escapes- for those times we spend alone

Candle- you are the light of my life

Peppermint Patty- for the cool sensations you give me

Stick of gum- for all the times you've stuck by me

Matches- we are a perfect match

Charmin Tissue- you are too irresistible NOT to squeeze

Mounds- for the mounds of love I feel for you....

Hugs and Kisses- your name

### Mail Carriers Survival Kit

Hamburgers...to divert the dogs attention (Hamburgers...either the gummi candy ones, or gift certificates to

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# MacDonalds/Burger King.)

Cotton Balls...to cushion your rough roads

Snickers Bar...to remind you to keep your sense of humor

Starburst...to give you that extra "burst" of energy at the end of your route

Bag...to put your frustrations, worries and troubles in before you go home

M & Ms...to remind you that you are "M"arvelous and "M"eaningful

Mounds Bar...for the mounds of miles you walk

Tootsie Roll...to help complaints "roll" off your back

Happy Faces...to remind you that smiling is contagious

Symphony Bar...to put some music into your route

Scissors...to help you "cut" out the bad parts of your day

Peppermints...to keep you cool

P.S....I asked the Postmaster to increase your salary to "\$100 GRAND" and he said that your "CHEX" are in the mail.

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### Menopause Survival Kit

put M&M's into a cute container and add these directions

To temporarily calm your craving for chocolate, eat the BROWN one.

At the first sign of hot flashes eat the RED one.

Eat the ORANGE one to minimize depression.

The GREEN one calms your frustrations, when you want to be left alone.

If you feel a headache coming on eat the YELLOW one.

The BLUE one reduces bloating.

If all symptoms occur at the same time, eat the WHOLE bag.

#### Mid-life Crisis Kit

Marbles-To replace those you may have lost.

Magnifying Glass-to help you see the fine print now that your eye slight is going.

Balloon- to Hold all that hot air you're full of.

Penny-to help you get a start on your retirement fund.

Car- to help you resist the urge to buy a new sporty number

Paper clip- to help you hold it all together

Mint- to help you remember all the things you "MINT" to do.

#### Military Personnel Survival Kit

Lifesavers - to remind you that that's what you are

Small Empty Bottle - "Instant Water" add water and shake, for when you are on maneuvers

Mounds Bar - to remind you of the mounds of love & support you have from friends & family

Pack of Gum - to help your unit stick together

Cotton Ball - to cushion the rough roads

Piece of String - for when you reach the end of your rope

Shiny Penny - to remind you that we each shine in our own way

Paperclip - to hold it all together

A hug- to let you know there's always someone on your side

A kiss - so that you will always remember I love you!

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Mint - because you are worth a mint
Candle - to light up the darkness
Tootsie Roll - to help you roll with the punches
Jolly Rancher - to remind you to laugh
Map with your street circled on it - so you will never be far from home.

### Missionary Kit

Candle-Let your light so shine.
Lifesaver- because you are giving others a whole new life
Tootsie Roll- to help you roll with the punches
Rubberband-remember to bend your will to the Lords.
Band-Aid-for healing ailing souls.
Penny-so you'll never be broke.
Cotton Ball- a cushion of support from your family and friends.

### Survival Kit for Mom To Be

Hershey hugs and kisses --for you and the baby -you both deserve them

Penny--for your thoughts

Pen & journal - to write down the special moments & thoughts

Clock-to remind you time will pass too quickly

Mirror-to reflect on who you are in this baby's new world

Marbles--for moments you are sure you've lost yours!

Jewel-to remind you how valuable you are as a new mother

Rubber band-flexibility is the key to motherhood

Lifesavers-to save you on "one of those days"

Tissue- to dry those tears--baby's and yours

Toothpick-to pick out the good in all situations

Fireball-for times when you are burnt out

Starbust-for a burst of added energy

Lollipop-to lick all your problems

Eraser-to remind you every new mom makes mistakes

Puzzle piece-yuou are an important part of your childs big picture

Candle-for when you are burning one at both ends

Cotton ball-for the times you can't hear yourself think

Rope-in case you get to the end of yours

Rubberband-to stretch and grow with your baby

Sweet & sour candy-to remind you every baby is different

Nuts-to remind you to get a little nutty

S illy putty-even babies love sillyness

Tootsie roll-to remind you to let the small stuff roll off your shoulders

Do not disturb sign-to remind you that you need time to yourself

Baby is sleeping sign-to remind others

Asprin-for when all else fails--take two

Peppermint-you are worth a mint as a new mom

Velcro-when you need to get a grip

Penny-for luck...you are on your way as a new mom!

Balloon-to remind you the sky is the limit in raising your baby

Cotton swab-for better listening

Foil-to remind you motherhood makes you shine

Glitter-a glimpse of how the world looks through a little one's eyes

A pacifier-you'll find a use for it!

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Pink ribbon-to tie in her curly hair Sugar--for a sweet girl Spice--so she will have personality "Nice" cough drops--so she will be a "nice" girl Wooden apple--she will be the apple of your eye Baby shoes--to keep her always running

#### Mother's Survival Kit

Bandaid fix hurt feelings

Button button lips and count to 10 when angry

Cotton swab clean out little ears - for better listening

Flower remind you that the dandelion your child offers you is = to any bouquet

Glitter glimpse of how the world looks thru the eyes of a child

Hug&Kiss Candy make everything alright

Lifesaver one of those days

Marble when you've lost yours

Rubberband when you are stretched beyond your limits

Star as mother, you are a star

Sweet/Sour Tarts help you find the sweet in the bitter times

Toothpick to pick out the good in difficult situations

Hersheys Hugs and Kisses -- for you and the baby for you both deserve them

Penny - for your thoughts

Pen & Journal - (or the Journal Jar) -- to write down your thoughts

Clock - to remind you that time will pass by too quickly, enjoy every moment.

Rubberband - to remind you that flexibility is the key

Tissue - to dry those alligator tears, the babies and yours.

Fireball - for times when you are burnt out

Lollipop - to lick all your problems

Eraser - to remind you that every new Mom made mistakes

Puzzle Piece - because you are an important piece in your child's journey through life.

Starburst - for energy

Child praying (a little plastic boy on knees with hands folded)- to remind you to teach your child how important prayer is in his life.

Fabric Circle- ?? got a clue??- this is for using your imagination for that last minute costume or show and tell in class.

Eyes (2 beady wiggle eyes on a piece of tape)- those extra eyes for the back of your head

Halo- from your Mom for days when you don't feel you get credit for all the things a Mommy does.

Mirror- to remind you to take time for yourself

Sweet and Sour lollipop- to lick the sour times and savor the sweet times

Jewel- Good mothers are a precious jewel to their family

### New Mother's Survival Kit

Hershey's Hugs and Kisses -- for you and the baby for you both deserve them

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Penny - for your thoughts

Pen & Journal - ( or the Journal Jar) -- to write down your thoughts

Clock - to remind you that time will pass by too quickly, enjoy every moment.

Mirror - to remind you that you are important too.

Marbles - to replace the ones you will loose.

Jewel - now that you are a mother you are even more valuable.

Rubberband - to remind you that flexibility is the key

Lifesavers - to save you from one of those days

Tissue - to dry those tears, the babies and yours.

Toothpick - to pick out the good in all situations

Fireball - for times when you are burnt out

Lollipop - to lick all your problems

Eraser - to remind you that every new Mom made mistakes

Puzzle Piece - because you are an important piece in your child's journey through life.

Starburst - for energy.

# Mom's Care Package

A STICK OF GUM - to remind you to stick with it.

A CANDLE - to give you light when you feel burned out.

A CHOCOLATE KISS - to remind you that someone cares.

SMARTIES - to help you on days when you don't feel so smart.

LIFESAVER - to remind you that everyone needs help once in a while.

A SNICKER - to remind you to see the funny side -- there is one!

A ROSE - to remind you to take time to smell the flowers.

CONFETTI - to help you celebrate the good times.

A PENNY - with thanks for sharing your thoughts.

A BAG - to help you keep it all together.

# Mother of the Bride

A mint for sweet breath

A safety pin to hold her nerves together

A candy bar or chocolate truffle with the words

"when the sweetness of this day is gone, may the memories linger on and on"

A pack of kleenex for when the tears start coming

A mirror to check her mascara

A mini bottle of champagne so she can celebrate when she gets home (after the happy couple has left)

A note pad and pen for last minute thoughts

### Moving Survival Kit

Phone card - To stay in touch

Postcard or notecard, preaddressed - So they can write you from their new home

Small address book - to keep addresses of old friends and new..and for email addies

Hugs and kisses - To remind them that you care

Kleenex - For drying eyes when they miss all their old friends

Change of address cards?

Map- Maybe with the route highlighted?

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Return address labels with new address

Photo of giver or group of friends

Puzzle piece- Things just aren't the same without them

A picture of their old house - "Always remember where you came from"

### New Home Survival Kit

Scotch Tape

Picture Hanging kit (those kits with the nails, hooks etc.)

Flashlight

Rubber bands

Band Aids (For the kids new home boo boos)

Instant Coffee

Packets of sugar

Packets of salt & pepper

**Rubber Bands** 

Coloring books for the kids with crayolas

Masking Tape

Bayer Baby aspirin

Excedrin

Notepad Magnet for her fridge

### Newleyweds

A lollipop-- to help you lick your problems, no matter how many there may be.

A rubber band-- to help you to remember to be "flexible" in all things.

A Snickers Bar-- to remind you that laughter IS the best medicine.

A paper clip to help you "hold it all together."

A stick of gum-- to help you stick together

A safety pin-- to help you "pin-point" your problems, the better to solve them! A piece of string-- to help you "tie-up" those loose ends.

A Lifesaver-- to keep you from drowning in everyday problems.

A lemon drop-- to remind you that "when life gives you lemons, you make lemonade."

A penny-- to give you extra cents (sense) to know which battles are worth fighting, & which are better ignored."

A candy kiss-- to share with each other

Button - to remind you that sometimes you need to "button your lip"

Tootsie Roll - to help you roll with the punches.

Mint - to remind you that you are worth a mint to each other.

Puzzle piece - because you are an important part in each others lives.

Eraser - to remind you that everyone makes mistakes.

Chapstick - keep your lips kissable

Confetti - to remind you to always add sparkle to your lives.

Toothpick - to always pick out the good in your mate

### NEW TEACHER SURVIVAL KIT

Mounds Candy Bar For the mounds of information you teach

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Crayon To color your day

Peanuts To remind you to get a little nutty now and then

Band-aide For when things get a little rough

Band-aide To remind you to heal hurt feelings, either yours or someone else's

Marbles To replace the ones you might lose from time to time

Sponge To soak up the overflow when your brain is too full

Puzzle Piece To remind you that without you, things wouldn't be complete

Lifesaver For when you've had one of THOSE days

Lifesaver To remind you that you can come to me if you need someone to talk to

Hugs & Kisses To make everything worthwhile

Candy Hugs To remind you everyone needs a hug or a compliment every day

Bath Salts To "take you away" when you need a quiet break

Pearl-colored Bath Oil Beads To remind you that your pearls of wisdom will touch many lives

Cup For when yours is overflowing

Pipe Cleaner To remind you that flexibility is important for a successful school year

Rubberband To remind you to be flexible -- things might not always go the way you want, but it can be worked out

Rubberband To remind you to have resiliency and "spring" back

Rick Rack To remind you that this year will be full of ups and downs, but eventually everything will smooth out

Matches For those days when you feel you need to light a fire under your students

Wiggly Eye So you can keep an eye on your students to discover how best to help them

Wiggly Eye For when you wish you REALLY did have eyes in the back of your head

Battery To help you keep going, and going, and going..... (like the Energizer Bunny)

Animal Crackers For when your classroom seems like a zoo

Jingle Bell So you can ring for help if you need it; we're here to help each other

Rubber Glove For when you need a helping hand

Sweet Escape Candy Bar For when you need to escape

Wrapped Present To remind you that your students are gifts to you

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Smiley Face Sticker To remind you to wear a happy face -- here's one for when it seems difficult

Flower Pot To remind you that you are here to plant the seeds of

Flower Seeds To remind you that you every day you are planting seeds for the future

Clothespin To help you "hang in there"

Hole Reinforcers To remind you to reinforce the efforts of your students and other teachers

Penny To remind you that you are a priceless part of our school

Orange "Orange" you glad to be a part of the best school?

Toothpick To remind yourself to pick the good qualities in your students and yourself

Eraser To remind you that everyone makes mistakes. That's okay; we learn by our errors.

Mint To remind you that you are worth a mint to us.

Stick of Gum To remind you to stick with it and you can accomplish anything

Extra Gum For all the extra things you do

Jolly Ranchers For when you need a little happiness

Pencil & Notepad To remind you to list your blessings every day

Tea Bag To remind you to take time to relax daily and go over that list of blessings

100 Grand Candy Bar So you will be paid what you are worth

Button To remind you that some things are best left unsaid

Tissue So you can dry the tears of wounded child

Rainbow To remind you that after every storm there is a calm

Paper Clip To help you hold it together when everything seems to fall apart

Sweet and Sour Tarts To remind you to appreciate your students' differences

Cotton Ball To cushion the rough roads ahead

Cotton Ball To remind you that this school/classroom is is full of

kind words and warm feelings

Cracker Jack Popcorn To remind you that you will become a crackerjack teacher

Angel Pin To remind you that you are a guardian angel for your students

Fortune Cookie To remind you that it is your students' good fortune to have you as their teacher

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Gold Chocolate Coins To remind you that you are worth your weight in gold

Sticker To remind you that we all stick together and help each other

Star To remind you to shine and always try your best

Gold Thread To remind you that friendship ties our hearts together

Snowflake When all else fails, pray for a snow day!

### Nurse's Survival Kit

Lifesaver - a reminder of the many times others will need your help.

Snicker's Bar - to remind you that laughter is the best medicine

Candle - to remind you that you can light up someone's day

Tissue - to dry tears, your own and someone else's.

Starburst - for that burst of energy at the end of the day

Button - to remind you that sometimes you need to button your lip

Bath Salts - to take you away at the end of the day

Marbles - to replace the ones you will loose

Playing Card - to help you be a better mind reader

Lollipop - to help you lick everyone's problems

Mint - to remind you your compassion is worth a mint to your patients.

### **OVERSEAS SURVIVAL KIT**

American Flag to remind you of the Good OI' USA Tissue for when you get homesick Soap in case you ever hear the phrase "Dirty American" Clock [set on home time] so you'll only call when we're awake Legal-size Pad for the LONG letters home Refillable pen & refills so there's no excuses not to write Cassette Tape of Bruce Springsteen - Born in the USA - sing along! Name Tag for when you feel lost Art Tablet for when you have to draw a picture to communicate Foot Sole Inserts for all-day sightseeing walks Band-aids for the sightseeing night blisters Postcards to save on postage when writing home for MORE money Blank Cassette Tape for when your hand gets tired from letter-writing M&Ms to remind you not to melt over there Computer disk to save all those daily emails to/from home Dramamine for airsickness or jetlag (yuck) Ruler for when you need inches, not crazy metric measurements Candle to put in the window to guide angels to watch over you!!

#### Parent Care Package

Dearest Kindergarten Parents,

Here is a little "gift" for you as you leave your precious one with me on the first day of school.

As you hold this cotton ball in your hand, the softness will help you to remember the gentle spirit of your child.

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After you've gone home and dried your tears with this tissue, make yourself a hot cup of tea. Put up your feet and relax. Remember that together you and I will work for your child to be the best they can be.

Thank you for entrusting your child to me for the coming school year. I will do my very best every day to be your child's guide in learning and exploring this bright, new world they've just stepped into.

Sincerely,

(teacher's signature)

(Put poem in a ziplock bag with the following itemes: a cotton ball, a Kleenex and a tea bag)

#### PARENT'S OF TWINS SURVIVAL KIT

A WHOLE Bag of Cotton Balls...for times when you can't hear yourself think

Two Pieces of Rope...in case you get to the end of yours

Two Rubber Bands...to remind you to stretch and grow with your children

Sweet & Sour Candy...to remind you that every child is different

Clock...to remind you that children grow up too fast

Puzzle Pieces...to remind you that you are an important piece in the journey of each of your children

Marbles...to replace the ones you've lost and the kids have claimed

Nuts...to remind you to laugh...get a little nutty and keep the humor of life alive

Tootsie Rolls...to remind you to roll with the punches - things will get a little hectic with twins.

Candle...so you never feel alone in the dark

Do Not Disturb Sign...to remind you that you need time to yourselves

Aspirin...for when all else fails...take two each.

Peppermints...to remind you that your job as parents is worth a mint

A piece of Velcro...for when you need to get a grip

Hugs and Kisses...because you'll need lots of them too.

Pack of gum...to remind you that everything works when you "stick" together.

Tea bags...to remind you to take time to reflect on your blessings

Crayon-To color your Family's Day cheerful and bright.

Penny- So you'll never be completely broke

Band-aid- For hurt feelings; yours or someone else's.

Lifesaver-For always being there when your children need you.

Eraser- Because we all make mistakes; sometimes it will be you and sometimes it will be your child.

Paper Clip - So you can hold it all together.

Clothespin- Because sometimes being the grownup stinks!

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#### Parent's Survival Kit

Cotton Ball -- for times when you can't hear yourself think

Rope - in case you get to the end of yours

Rubber Band - to remind you to stretch and grow with your children

Sweet & Sour Candy -- to remind you that every child is different

Eraser -- so everyone can start each day with a clean slate

Clock - to remind you that children grow up too fast

Puzzle Piece - to remind you that you are an important piece in the journey of your child

Marbles - to replace the ones you've lost

Band Aid - to fix hurt feelings

Nuts - to remind you to laugh..get a little nutty

Tootsie Roll - to remind you to roll with the punches

Candle - so you never feel in the dark

Do Not Disturb Sign - to remind you that you need time to yourself

Aspirin - for when all else fails...take two

Peppermint - to remind you that your job as parents is worth a mint.

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A piece of Velcro for when you need to get a grip!.

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### PARENT SURVIVAL KIT 2

Because you're so important in the journey of your child's life, I give you a piece of the "puzzle".( spray paint a puzzle piece gold( You get a "safety pin" for little emergencies and "lifesavers" for those big ones. The "cotton balls" are for when you can't hear yourself think, the "rubberband" to remind you to be flexible. You get a "lollipop" to help you lick your problems, a "Dumdum" for when you feel that way. A "tootsie roll" will help you roll with the punches, a "penny" so you'll never be broke. You'll need a "starburst" for energy, a "fireball" for when you're burned out. A "crayon" will help to color your days, a "paperclip" to hold things together. A "piece of golden cord" will help tie things together when it seems everything is falling apart. The "rope" will remind you if you get to the end of yours, just tie a knot and hang on. Most of all you need "marbles" to replace the ones you've lost and a "jewel" because you're as valuable as any precious stone!

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#### Pastor's Wife Survival Kit

A golden thread - to remind you that friendship is the golden thread that ties together the hearts of everyone.

Hugs & Kisses - when you need a hug

Toothpick - to help pick out the good qualities in others and yourself

Lifesaver candy- for the times others need your help and you theirs

Marbles- to replace the ones you've lost

Mounds bar- for the "mounds" of love and support in your congregation

Tissues - to wipe the tears of joy and sadness

Doorstop- so your door is always open

Candle- to help light your path to God

Cotton ball- for cushioned support of your husband for the rough roads ahead

Button- to remind you to sometimes "button your lip".

Bandaid-to heal the pain and suffering within your church

Pack of gum- so that your church can "stick together".

Crayon-to color your day bright and cheerful

Sponge-for when your love overflows

Penny-so you'll never be broke

Rubberband-to remind you to be flexible

Puzzle piece-without you, things wouldn't be complete

and a jewel-because you are as valuable as any precious stone!

### PEP PILLS

#### RED

For When Your Hot Under The Collar

YELLOW

To Brighten Your Day

**BLUE** 

To Remind You That We Love You

**ORANGE** 

To Make Your Wishes Come True

**GREEN** 

To Make The Sadness Fade Away

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### PMS Survival Kit

To temporarily calm your craving for chocolate, eat the BROWN one. At the first sign of "hot flashes" eat the RED one. Eat the ORANGE one to minimize depression. The GREEN one calms your frustrations, when you want to be left alone. If you feel a headache coming on, eat the YELLOW one. The BLUE one reduces bloating.

Directions: Take as needed. If all symptoms occur at the same time, eat the whole bag. Warning: May cause weight gain. (Attach this saying to a bag of M&M's)

#### Policeman Survival Kit

Lifesaver - to remind you tat that is what you are to many people Key - because you are the key to our safe community Safety Pin - to remind you of all the safety you provide Halo - because you are a saint to a lot of people Angel - So you will always have your guardian angel with you Gum - use this to get out of "sticky" situations Shiny penny - keep for good luck charm A match - to light your fire when you feel burned out Modeling clay - to remind you, you are a role model Paper clip - to help hold things together Rope - for when you are at the end of yours Hersey kisses - to remind you, you are loved Tums for all those fast foods that don't settle too well Eraser - because you erase the bad stuff

# **Pregnancy Survival Kit**

Tissue-Because now you cry during all the Hallmark commercials

Antacid - to help your tummy forgive you for the little thing you couldn't pass up.

Rubberband - To remind you that you won't always be huge...You'll get to keep the stretch marks for the rest of your

life.

Penny - To help start saving for that college fund.

Tootsie Roll - To help you satisfy that Chocolate craving

Puzzle piece - so you won't forget that you life would not be complete without the precious little one that you're

expecting

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#### Problem Survival Kit

A toothpick so you wont be too picky

A lollipop to help you lick your problems

A rubber band to help you be flexible

A paper clip so you can hold things together

A stick of gum to give you a stick-to-it attitude

A piece of string so you can tie up loose ends

A pin to help you pin point your problems

A penny so you'll have enough cents to realize you're a valuable asset your friends & family.

#### QUILTERS SURVIVAL KIT

Magnifer: Remember to never blow your mistakes out of proportion.

Finger protector: To remember that you are wrapped up in this wonderful piece of work...Enjoy!

Toothpick: to remember not to be too picky about your work just relax and do it.

Paper clips: to help hold things together like the patterns. Spool of quilting thread: to help tight up the loose ends.

Eraser: to wipe away the mistakes you make

Rubber Band: so you can strretch beyond your current ability.

Mounds candy bar: to give you mounds of encouragement in your work

Jelly Beans: for all the colors in your creations

Pen and Jounral: to write down new ideas and record the old ones

Hand lotion: to ease the pain from the tired hands after a hard days work between needles: for all your sharpe

ideas

Safety pins: just like your basting you are holding it all together

Piece of batting: to remind you to seek out a comfortable place to work

Several pieces of rementents: to show out of a little comes wonderful things

Disposible camera: picture all your hard work finished

Lollipop: lick all those tough stitches

Asprinin: for all those harder projects to come Chocolate: for all the breaks you will need

Careful gum: to remind you to have fun while you work Batteries: so you will keep going and going and going

Teabag: have a cup of tea and relax you did a wonderful job on the quilt!!!!

# **Quit Smoking Survival Kit**

Dum dum: to remind you of what you will be if you start smoking again War Heads: remember it is all mind over matter and you can win.

Mints: your breath is going to smell so minty fresh now. Lifesavers: Quitting smoking can add years to you life GIFT BASKET IDEAS Page 73 of 105

Dentyne Chewing gum: No more stained teeth

Money pad: Think of all the money you are going to save Starbursts: For the new burst of flavor you will taste in your food Small datebook: so you can keep track of how well you are doing

Smiley Faces(confetti): What you will see on your friend faces when they hear you have quit

Pacifier: (candy one) for emergency gratification

Lucky penny: Just in case you need a little to see you thru.

Sensations: To remember you are going to have such a sensational feeling of pride when you achieve your goal.

### Retail Worker Survival Kit

Fireball- for those sale days when you get burned out
Pen- to replace the ones that everyone keeps taking
Smile face sticker- to remind you to wear a smile
Marbles- to replace the ones you've lost
Sweet Tarts- to help you remember that everyone can be sweet and not-so-sweet
Rubberband- to help you keep things together

# Scripture Survival Kit

Toothpick: to remember to pick out the good in others. Matt. 7:1

Rubberband: To remember to be flexible. God has it under control. Romans 8:28 Band Aid: To remember to mend hurt feelings. Yours or someone elses. Col. 3:12-14

Pencil: To remember to list your blessings daily (You could add a cute tablet of paper with this as well) Eph 1:3

Butterfinger: Cause we all slip sometimes, and it's okay. Gen. 50:15-21

Gum: So you can stick to it. With God you can accomplish anything. Phil. 4:13

Button: To remember to button your lip when needed. 1 Peter 3:10 Lifesaver: To remember that the Lord is there to help. Psalm 46:1

Mint: to remind you that you are worth one. (I use a peppermint patty) John 3:16-17 Candy Kiss: To remember that Love should be a part of everyday. 1 John 4:7 Snickers and Tissue: To remind us to be a light in someone elses day. Matt. 5:14-16 Puzzle Piece: To remember that without God we are not complete. Prov. 14:20

Tea Bag: To remember to relax and go over that list of blessings. 1 Thess. 5:18

### SECRET PAL Survival Kit

CANDLE ~ to remind you to share your light with others

ERASER ~ to remind you that you can start over with a clean slate every day.

SMILEY FACE ~ When you're feeling down and you need a smile.

RUBBER BAND ~ To remind you to always stay flexible.

TOOTSIE ROLL ~ To remind you to roll with the punches.

SNICKERS ~ In case you need a good "snicker"

CRAYON ~ To change the color of your day if you are feeling "Blue"

PUZZLE PIECE ~ To remind you that you are an important part of the company.

NUTRAGEOUS BAR - To remind you to get a little crazy every now and then.

SUCKER ~ To remind you that you can "lick" any problem.

BAGGIE ~ To put all your troubles in at the end of the day and then throw them away.

HUGS & KISSES ~ Just because

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### Secretary Survival Kit

A pacifier for your "whiners"
A spoon for those you have to "spoon feed"
A magic wand for the miracles you're expected to perform Tissues for your "cry babies"
Jacks because you have to be a "jack" of all trades

#### Sister Survival Kit

Tootsie Roll - For all the times we've let the good times "roll" .

Payday - So we will always have money to go - SHOPPING!

Gobstopper - For the "gobs" of trouble we have gotten into over the years .

Gum - To remind you that a family that "sticks" together stays together .

Mars - Through the rough times, just remember - Men are from Mars...women are from Venus .

Sweet Tarts - We are individuals and should celebrate our differences .

Popcorn - Even if we haven't talked yet today - you have already "popped" into my thoughts .

Jolly Rancher - For the times I can't be there with you to make you smile .

Starburst - For the times you feel like you will "burst" if you don't share your secret with me .

Puzzle Piece - Don't ever forget you are an important piece of my life .

Coversation Hearts - For all of our "heartfelt" conversations .

Tissues - For all the joyful tears we've shared .

Peppermint Patty - Just in case I can't be there to give you a "pat" on the back - this will have to do!

Two Quarters - In case you need to call on me for advice .

Nail File - For all the times you smoothed things over for me - so I wouldn't get into trouble!

Tea Bags - To get you back for all those times you "teased" me!

# Skier's Survival Kit

Rubberband - to help you "spring" back when you fall Cotton Ball - for the rough moguls ahead Mounds - for the mounds of snow you will encounter Starburst - to give you that burst of energy on the last run Lollipop - to help you "lick" the advanced slopes Popsicle Stick - in case you need a splint Chapstick - keep your lips moist Penny - so you won't be broke when you leave Breath Mints - just in case you need the ski patrol Compass - to make sure you're going the right way Rabbits Foot - for good luck

# The Sponge Survival Kit

- give a small sponge and add this list of uses to the sponge When in doubt, pull the "sponge" out to:
- -wipe away those little and big messes we get ourselves into
- -dab off the perspiration from our brow when the heat is on
- -wring when a neck is not available
- -toss against the wall should we be in the need of having a temper tantrum

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- -rest our head on when a short nap is in order
- -pick at instead of pulling our hair out
- -to squeeze when a hug is the answer
- -to give to a friend when a friend is in need

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#### Stamper's Survival Kit

Inkpad

So we can leave our stamp on the world, ever changing and colorful

Brayer

To spread joy and color

Corner Rounder

Everyone needs to round their corner every now and then and not be a square

Hole Punch

If it can't be done, you can prove that it can, thereby punching a hole in the theory of impossibility

Eraser

To erase all the bad things that can happen during the course of a stamping day

Cardstock

The perfect medium for expressing ourselves and our individuality

Glitter

To put sparkle in your life

Glue

To hold it all together

Mask

To cover up the stuff you don't want to see

Catalog

So you can always have a dream

Stamps

To leave an image, no matter how small, of who we are, what we like, and what we can't seem to live without!

# Stress Bag

Stick of Gum - To remind you to stick to it

Candle-To remind you to shine brightly (I used a nice smelling votive candle in a color that complimented the rest

of the package.)

A Chocolate Kiss - To remind you that you are loved

A Match - To light your fire when you're feeling burned out ( I used a wooden kitchen match and put it in a tiny

ziplock bag so it wouldn't get lost. I did that with a couple of the tiny things.)

A Pin- To remind you to stay sharp (I can't remember if I used a big safety pin or a corsage pin.)

A Smartie - To help you on those days when you don't feel smart ( A whole pack of smarties, of course.)

A Starburst - To give you a burst of energy on days when you don't have any

A Snickers - To remind you to take time to laugh (I used the bite size.)

Confetti- To remind you to have fun ( I used the paper punch and made my own out of some pretty wrapping paper

samples from the school paper sale.)

Tape- To fix things that will not work

A Potholder - For when things get too hot to handle (The phone company gives them away at Christmas. Iol)

A Penny - So you will never have to say, "I"m broke".

A Marble- For when you lose yours

A Rubber Band - To stretch yourself beyond the limits

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A String - To tie things together when everything falls apart

A Band-Aid - For when things get a little rough ( I got a little wild and used the leopard print ones. \*g\*)

A Crayon - To color your day bright and cheerful (I used a pack of 4 crayons. The kids get them a lot for free with

little coloring book around Christmas.)

A Puzzle Piece - Without you things wouldn't be complete

A Cotton Ball - For the rough roads, seek the cushioned support of family and friends

Happy face- Smiling is contagious ( I started to use some happy face stickers, but I found a little happy face ball that

my kids never played with.)

Eraser - To remind you that you can start every day with a clean slate.

Excedrin - Thank you, I know this job can be a headache (It called for Tylenol, but I got a sample pack of Excedrin

through the mail so that's what I used.)

Battery - To give you that extra charge to keep you going... and going.

Piece of Rope - When you reach the end of yours, this will keep you going a bit longer

Paper clip - To help keep things together when they seem to be out of control.

A Small Smooth Stone - To remind you that the rough times help to refine and polish

A Recipe - To make when you want to do something special for someone (I printed up a cake recipe of some kind.)

A Star- To remind you to shine and always try your best ( I was stuck on this one. I finally just cut a star out of some

yellow fun foam.)

A Button - To remind you to shine and always try your best.

Glitter- For a glimpse of how the world looks through a child's eyes (I poured some into a tiny ziplock bag.)

A Bag- To help you keep it all together

#### Student Survival Kit

Sponge - to soak up all the knowledge

Eraser - to remind you that each day you can start with a clean slate.

Candle - for when you are burning the midnight oil studying

Button - to remind you that sometimes you have to button your lip

Pack of Gum - so your class can "stick" together

Tootsie roll - to help you roll with the punches

Mounds Bar - for all the information you will need to retain

Toothpicks - to hold your eyes open during class

Lifesaver - for when you feel you are drowning in information

Skor Candy Bar - to remind you to score well on your tests

Sweet & Sour Candy - to help you accept and appreciate the differences in others

Sucker - to remind you not to be a "sucker" be your own person

Carefree Gum - to remind you to have fun

Hugs & Kisses - to remind you I am always here and I love you

A Lollipop - to help you lick your problems.

Tissues - to wipe away the sleepers after sleeping during class.

Pencil - to "Write" your wrongs

Cotton Ball - for when you can't hear yourself think

Penny - so you always have enough "cents" to realize what a valuable person you are.

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Tootsie Roll - to remind you to roll with the punches.

#### Student Candy Gram

The candies can be placed in a basket, or on a sheet of poster board w/ the candy taking the place of the words:

I know you think your teachers are from MARS, but there is a RIESEN for it. They're trying to cram MOUNDS of information into your brain in a short time. You're on a TOOTSIE ROLL and working towards graduation, and that's hard work. But think of it, when you graduate, you could be earning \$100 GRAND a year! Cheer up, you're not a MILK DUD or a DUM DUM. Don't SKITTLES it all yet and go NUTRAGEOUS. Hang in there, study hard, and don't worry about the SNICKERS from your friends. WERTHER or not you succeed is up to you. I have faith in you because you've always been my ALMOND JOY. (or BIT O HONEY or SUGAR BABY) I'll always be here for you.

HUGS & KISSES,

Mom.

### Surgery Survival Kit

Needle and Thread - in case the stitches don't hold
Lifesavers - to remind you that friends are here to help
Cotton Ball - to cushion the rough roads
Happy Faces - smiling helps you heal faster
Joke Book - Laughing helps you heal faster
Hersheys Hug and Kiss - for whenever you need one
Starburst - when you need a burst of energy
Rainbow - to remind you that after the storm comes the rainbow
Crayon - to color your day bright and cheerful
Marble/Ball - to keep you rolling on the road of recovery
Rubberband - to keep you bouncing back

#### Swim Coach Survival Kit

Sponge - to remind you that some days your students will think you are all wet

Marbles - to replace the ones you will loose

Puzzle Piece - to remind you that the puzzle is not complete if one piece is missing

Gum - to help your team stick together

Piece of string - use when you get to the end of yours

Rubberband - to remind you to be flexible

Clay - to remind you that you are forming young peoples lives

Snickers Bar - to remind you that laughter can cure most anything

Ear Plugs - for when you can't hear yourself think

Toothpick - to help you pick out the good qualities in your swimmers.

Band-Aid - to fix hurt feelings

Peanuts - to remind you its ok to sometimes be a little nutty

Sweet & Sour Candy - to help you accept and appreciate the differences in others.

#### **Teacher Survival Kit**

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Band-Aid: For when things get a little rough.

Bath Salts: "To take you away." You deserve a quiet break.

Crayon - to color your day bright and cheerful Candle - for when you are up late grading papers Ear Plugs - when you just can't take anymore

Eraser - to remind you everyone makes mistakes and they can be erased.

Hugs and Kisses - for when you need a hug

Jewel - because you are so precious

Lifesaver: For when you've had one of those days.

Marbles - to replace the ones you've lost

Mint - to remind you that you are worth a "mint"

Mounds Bar - for the mounds of confidence you give your students

Paperclip - to hold it all together Peanuts: To get a little nutty.

Puzzle Piece - without you the class wouldn't be complete

Rubberband - to remind you to be flexible

Shiny Penny - to remind you, each will shine in their own special way

Sponge: To soak up the overflow, when your brain is too full. Starburst - to give you a "burst" of energy when you need it

Tissues - to wipe away the tears...yours and theirs.

#### Teacher Survival Kit 2

Sugar Packet - to remind you how sweet you are
Marker Pen - to thank you for leaving a lasting impression
Ace of Hearts - for the heartfelt way you "deal" with taskes each day
Starburst - to let you know that you are a shining star
Eraser - a reminder that a good education can never be erased
Mint - to thank you for your constant encourage"mint"
A Tea Bag - to remind you how tea-rrrific you are!
Sunkist Fruit Gem - because you are a true gem

Smarties - for helping make each student smarter

# Teacher Survival Kit 3

Glitter - to remind you of how the world looks through a child's eyes Chapstick - to keep your lips moist after giving all those directions Name tag - to introduce yourself to students and staff Tylenol - for those trying students and situations tea/spiced cider/hot chocolate - for a little pick me up Packet of microwave popcorn - for break time Bath salts - for your debriefing at the end of the day Chalk - to "chalk" it up to a job well done Lifesavers - for being a lifesaver for the teacher Storybook - for a little quiet time with the kids Whistle - to get attention quickly

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# **TEACHERS SURVIVAL KIT 4**

Cotton Ball ~ to remind you that our classroom is full of kind words and warm comfortable feelings.

Chocolate Hug ~ to comfort you when you are feeling sad or alone.

Sticker ~ to remind you that this class sticks together and helps each other.

Starburst candy ~ to remind you that you are always a star in this class....and everyone shines in his own way.

Tissue ~ to remind you to help dry someone's tears.

Toothpick ~ to remind you to "pick out" the good things in your classmates and yourself.

Ribbon ~ to remind you that friendship ties our hearts together.

Eraser ~ to remind you that everyone makes mistakes and this is okay.

Life Saver Candy ~ to remind you that you can come to any adult in our school for help.

Band Aid ~ to remind you that feelings get hurt easily

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# Teacher's ABC's (could attach to a jar filled with ABC's pasta)

A is for the abundance of questions and yearning

B is for both inward and outward beauty

C is for creative learning

D is for doing it over 'til it's right

E is for the effort you pour into preparing each night

F is for watching how far we can go

G is for seeing us blossom and grow

H is for reaching for that star so high

I is for imagination, for the courage to try

j is for joy in touching a child's life in a meaningful way

K is for kindness you bring children each day

L is for the love of teaching we see

M is for the "me" you're helping me to be

N is for never being to busy to pray

O is for overcoming our desire to stray

P is for the positives you bring to each

Q is for the quintessential way to teach

R is for your willingness to give us a reason

S is for teaching us to appreciate each season

T is for touching those that sit before you

U is for understanding our fear of all that's so new

V is for the vitality you show each day

W is for every wonderment you bring our way

X is for the extra-special teacher we see

Y is for our sense of yearning to be, and

Z is for the big "yahoo" sent from your very own "zoo"!

# Teacher's Aide Survival Kit Survival Kit

Mounds bar - for the mounds of help you are to the teacher

Button- to remind you to sometimes "button your lip"

Rubberband - so you always stay flexible

Tootsie Roll - so you can roll with the punches

Tissues - to wipe the tears from joy and happiness

Marbles - to replace the ones you've lost (extra included, you'll need once you become a teacher

mint - to remind you, that you are worth a "mint" to the class

Candle - for when you stay up late working on assignments

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Penny - so you'll never be broke

Toothpick - so you can "pick" out the qualities that make a great teacher

Paperclip - to hold your busy life together

Cotton - for when you can't hear yourself think

Hugs & Kisses - when you need a hug

Pencil - to :"write your wrongs"

Lollipop - to lick your problems

Pack of gum - so you all can "stick" together

Bandaid - to heal hurt feelings, yours or theirs

A jewel - because you are as valuable as any precious stone!

### Teacher Retirement Survival Kit

Goggles- for all the exotic places you'll explore

Whistle- for when you need to get everyone's attention

Key necklace- thanks for being a "key" to learning (blank key decorated with jewels, strung on chain.

Pointer- to point things out to someone (stuff a garden glove, glue down all the fingers to the palm except index

### finaer.

Glue glove to gold painted dowel, tie a ribbon around the base of the glove.)

Bath salts- "To Take You Away" You deserve a break.

Kleenex- for when you see someone who needs to wipe his nose.

Clay- thanks for helping to mold many children for the better

Crayons- so you don't forget how it feels to get new crayons

Report card- for when you feel the need to give a grade

Marbles- to replace the ones you've lost

Red pen- when you feel like correcting someone's writing

Chalk- to "chalk" it up to a job well done

Golden lunch tray/ticket- for when you are missing hot lunch (spray paint a lunch tray gold, glue a hot lunch ticket

into one of the cubbies.)

Place all items in a tote bag from the school or retiring teachers.

# Thanksgiving Survival Kit

Aspirin ~~ Take two before you start anything.

Confetti ~~ To help you remember today is a fun day.

Paperclip ~~ To help you hold everything together.

Pair of gloves ~~ When you need two extra hands to help you.

Marbles ~~ To replace the ones you will loose making dinner.

Instructions on How to Cook a Turkey ~~ Just in case you forget.

Snickers Bar ~~ To remind you that laughter can fix anything.

Cotton Balls ~~ For when you can't hear yourself think anymore from all the guests.

Lifesavers ~~ In case you start drowning in all the preparations.

Lollipop ~~ To help you "lick" any problem.

Tootsie Roll ~~ To remind you to roll with the punches.

Burgers ~~ In case that turkey doesn't come out quite the way the directions says it should.

Tums ~~ To share with everyone who didn't know when to stop.

RubberBand ~~ To increase your waistband after dinner.

Hugs ~~ Just because you deserve them.

Tea Bag ~~ For you....at the end of the day, to sit back, relax and remember to count your blessings.

Button ~~ To replace the one you will loose from eating too much.

Button ~~ To remind you it is better to button your lips with certain family members

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#### TEST TAKING FIRST AID KIT:

1 pack of Smarties Candies - to boost your test taking brain power

1 pencil -- to help you record the knowledge you have learned

1 sticker -- to help you stick with the task at hand

1 eraser -- to use when you check over your work

1 Hershey's Hug -- for all the hard work you put into the test

1 highlighter -- to highlight all your success

1 pencil grip -- to get a grip on the task at hand

# FOR BEST RESULTS, COMBINE WITH:

1 night of restful sleep

1 nutritious breakfast

1 positive attitude

# POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS:

Improved Test-taking Skills

**Good Grades** 

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# Truck Driver's Survival Kit

Tootsie Roll - so you can "roll" down the highway

Tums - for all the truckstop food you love

Penny - so you'll never be broke

Cotton Ball - for when you sleep so you don't hear the highway noise

Bar of Soap - to clean off the road dust

Sponge - to soak up all the rain so you don't have to drive in it

Mounds - for the "mounds" of miles you drive

Phone card - so you're never out of touch

flashlight - so you're never in the dark

Hug & Kisses - when you just need a hug to make it thru the day

Button - to remind you that sometime's you need to "button your lip"

Starburst - to give you a burst of energy for those last miles before home

Paperclip - to hold it all together

Marbles - to replace the ones you lost on the road

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# Vacation Survival Kit

Tissue-for your tears when the motel is booked or for romantic sunsets

Paper bag-to hold treasures and in case of hyperventilation when you see the prices of souvenirs

Sponge-to soak up the sun, sand, snow, and memories

Feather-to remember to gently float through the vacation rather than racing

Ear plugs-to avoid the yelling or listening to the 7,000th singing of "99 Bottles of Beer on the Wall"

Quarter-someone always needs a quarter for something

Bandaid-for boo boos, real or imagined

Rubberband-for flexibility as sometimes when you are flexible, you have wonderful experiences you would have

#### never considered

A box of CrackerJack -vacations always come with good surprises. Remember to look for yours.

A small plastic bag-to remind us to always bring back small things that will help the vacation live on for years

Chuckles-never leave home without the ability to laugh at yourself and situations

Chopsticks-to remind us that even within the US, there are many different cultures and customs

A picture of a watch or clock without hands-forget the clock, you're on vacation!

A disposable camera (or picture of one)-capture the fun and memories before they disappear

A compass-you'll need this especially if you are with someone who can't stop for directions

A picture or map of Kansas-as Dorothy says in the Wizard of Oz, "There's no place like home."

### Waitress Survival Kit

Mounds Bar - for the amount of walking you do

Puzzle Piece - to remind you that the restaurant wouldn't be complete without you

Tootsie Roll - to help the complaints "roll" off your back

Marbles - to replace the ones you've lost

Lollipop - To help you lick your problems

Button - to remind you that sometimes best to just button your lip

Dollar - for the tip you didn't get

Sponge - to soak up all the spills

Cotton Ball - for when the customers get too loud

Shoe insoles - because you are always on your feet

Rubberband - to keep you bouncing back

Starburst - for that burst of energy at the end of your shift

Sweet and Sour Candy - a reminder that the differences in people gives spice to our lives.

Smiley Face - to replace all the smiles you give away

Hugs and Kisses - to remind you that you that someone cared enough to give you this kit.

# Valentine/ Love Kit 1

Jolly Rancher - for all the times you make me laugh Sweet Escapes - for the special times we spend alone Hugs & Kisses - yours are simply the best 100,000 Bar - .you are worth more than a grand to me Skittles - for the rainbow of colors you show me life through Peppermint Patty - for the cool sensations you give me Cotton Ball - to help soften any rough times Popcorn - cause you keep popping into my thoughts Balloon - because you encourage me to reach for the sky Needle and Thread - that we are bound together Match - we are a perfect match

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Pom Pom - for the warm fuzzies you give me Silk Rose - which will last forever...like us Puzzle Piece - without you I'm not whole.

#### Valentine Survival Kit 2

choose some or all of these items to put in a heart shaped box for your Valentine.

Jolly Rancher - all the times you've made me laugh Sweet Escapes - the special times we spend alone Hugs & Kisses - yours are simply the best! 100,00 dollar bar - you are worth more than a grand to me. Peppermint Patty - for the cool "sensations" you give me Skittles - for the rainbow of excitement we share Cotton ball - to help soften the rough times. Popcorn - because you keep popping in to my thoughts A Match - we are a perfect "match" Lighter - for you light up my life Pack of Gum - I "chews" you for my Valentine Candy corn - this may be "corny" but be my valentine Mint - I "Mint" to ask you to be my Valentine Hershey's Kiss - A "Kiss" for you, if you'll be mine. Bubble gum - Don't "Burst" my bubble be my Valentine Sucker - I'm no "sucker," I want you for my Valentine. Snickers Bar - Don't "snicker" I think we'd be cute Valentines.

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#### Package Idea for Survival Kits

I use Print Artist to create two labels. One with graphics and "Teacher's Survival Kit" on it...and one with all the ingredients on it. (Front and Back label) I laminate the labels too. Then I use the two liter bottles to stuff everything into. Love to watch them try and figure out how you got everything in there. Remove the soda label from a two liter bottle. Cut a slit vertically about 4" long. Cut two small slits perpendicular to that one to create a door. Then fill the bottle with all the ingredients. I also add shredded paper, and confetti.....etc. I use double sided tape on the laminated labels. Or you can use a wide piece of packing tape to tape over the label. Put the label over the slit on the front and one on the back. Glue the bottle cap on also.

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# ~~~POOPS~~~

# **Bat Poop**

use a bag of chocolate covered raisins and add the poem to the top of the bag

As I was out on Halloween Night
I saw above me bats in flight
At the bats I began to look
And felt a crunch underfoot
I began to search around
And found this bat poop on the ground
I decided to try this unusual treat
And found it tastes chocolatey sweet
So I thought I would share a scoop
Of the infamous BAT POOP!!!

# **BUNNY POOPS AND BUNNY KISSES**

#### #1

The Easter Bunny came last night And left this little scoop. Because you weren't so good this year, Your getting Bunny Poop!!

# #2

The Easter Bunny came last night So listen, here's the scoop, He left a special treat for you, A bit of bunny poop!

### #3

That cute little bunny has hopped and hopped all day,
Busy delivering baskets for the holiday,
his paws are so tired and his nose how it itches,
He left you something special - something to fulfill all your wishes
these cute little bunny hugs and kisses.
HAPPY EASTER XOXOXOXOXO

Make gift using some teeny jelly beans, chocolate-covered raisins, Fruit Loops, or malted milk balls. Place them in a Ziploc bag. Then print out and attach one of the above poems. Decorate with ribbons or stickers etc.

# **CUPID POOPS**

#1 (use with Red Hots)

As cupid shoots his arrow

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and misses your heart by a few He'll leave you something special His Cupid Red Pooh-Pooh

#2 (use with sweet tarts or a candy heart)

Here is something from the cupids above who fly along with all the doves Who's arrows have hit many hearts, who send you a gift in this lil' tart. --( heart) use either-Your love and beauty have been so true, The cupids have sent you their lil' poo-poo

#3 (use with Conversation Hearts candy)

I couldn't send you flowers
And candy wouldn't do
Mushy cards just didn't say
The things I wanted them to
So I got you something special
And here is the inside scoop
I found you something very rare
Its genuine CUPID POOP!!!

To make gift print out one of the above poems and attach to a Ziploc bag of the candy recommended. Or twist candy in plastic wrap and fluff up the top and tie with pretty ribbons. Punch a hole in the corner of the printed poem and tie in the ribbons.

### Elf Poop

Place red and green M&Ms in a baggie

The elves were so sick they couldn't make toys And Santa had to fill all those stockings. He gathered the ony thing the elves could make - And added all the Elves droppings.

# 4TH OF JULY POOP

I've heard you want my taxes well "SAMMY" here's the scoop You cannot have my tea bags so here some All American Poop!

Use red, white and blue jelly beans or some other red, white and blue candy item and place in a zipper bag with the poem printed out and attached to the bag. Decorate with ribbons, stickers, flags, etc.

# **GHOST POOPS**

#1

I woke up so scared, dreaming of Halloween Night All those spooks and goblins would be such a sight

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I thought of all the houses we'd go to for treats, and hoped not to get sick on all that candy we'd eat! The big night arrived and our costumes were on, And we promised we'd not be gone very long. As we left the house mother said with a roar "Now make sure you don't get lost going door to door,

After an hour, we started back home
And finally realized, we weren't sure where we roamed.
We looked on the ground and found some peculiar tracks
As we felt something soft touching our backs.
My friend turned around and let out a big scream
and I saw a big ghost and this wasn't a dream!
I guess our screams scared him a bit,
because on the ground, we found some ....
ghost tracks, that is.
In our candy sacks, we collected his tracks & hope you'll agree
this is the most peculiar ghost poop you'll ever see!

#### #2

I hear that you've been playing tricks, so listen, here's the scoop....
I'm running short on candy treats, so this year you get Ghost Poop!!

To make fill a Ziploc bag with marshmallows or mini marshmallows. Print out and attach one of the above poems to the bag.

# LEPRECHAUN POOPS

#### #

So you're looking for the gold Well listen here's the scoop Those leprechauns all got away But we found their lucky poop

# #2

The Leprechauns of Ireland Bring a special gift your way Its full of love and happiness On this St. Patrick's Day And along with all good wishes From this merry little group Comes a little something special Its a bag of Leprechaun POOP Tis a little bit of Ireland That's been sent upon its way To wish you luck and happiness On this fine St. Patrick's Day It's a wee and tiny present From that merry little group Tis the little folk of Ireland Have left you their Leprechaun POOP

Use green candies, the green shamrock marshmallows from Lucky Charms cereal, hershey kisses, green jelly beans, green jolly ranchers, green sour balls or other green candy.

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Put them in a zipper bag and print out one of the above poems and attach to the bag. Decorate as you wish.

#### Moo Poo

From all of us cows to all of you,
A reminder is now way overdue.
You seem to forget when Christmas draws near,
That we're every bit as important as Santa's reindeer.
Why, if it weren't for us you'd have no dream,
Of butter, milk, or even ice cream!
So consider this, we have good reason
We cows, too celebrate the Christmas season.
So here's a fitting gift, from all of us to you,
All you're getting this year is a bunch of moo poo!
Moooey Christmas from The Cows

take some beans and paint them black and white

#### Mice Poop

I had some choc raisins so I made up this "poopy" poem:

On Christmas Eve as I was snug in my bed,
Guess what some little "creatures" were doing instead?
Little mice were making their stops
And, of course, they left their teeny-tiny "plops".
On Christmas Morn I did awake,
Oh me,oh my, oh goodness sake!
Those adorable rodents had left such sweet gifts,
So I gathered and packaged them up in a "jiff"
And ,now ,this Christmas I present to you
This little bag of mice "doo-doo"!

# **PUMPKIN POOP**

I started to carve a pumpkin with my carving knife and scoop But the pumpkin got so scared He took a little poop! It looked so cute and funny Just like a candy treat So I'm sharing it with you now Because you are so sweet!

Use candy corn for these and wrap them in saran wrap or place in the tiny Ziploc baggies. Attach the tag with ribbons.

# **REINDEER POOPS**

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#### #1

I woke up with such a scare when I heard Santa call "Now dash away, dash away, dash away all! I ran to the lawn and in the snowy white drifts, those nasty reindeer had left "little gifts". I got an old shovel and started to scoop neat little piles of "reindeer poop". But to throw them away, seemed such a waste, So I saved them, thinking ~ you might like a taste! As I finished my task, which took quite awhile, Old Santa passed by and he sheepishly smiled. And I heard him exclaim as he rose in the sky "Well, they're not potty trained, but at least they can fly!"

# #2

For all the souls who hate the noise Of Christmas cheer and lights and toys For Mr. Scrooge, and Mrs. too, Here's a little gift for you A lump of coal won't be enough To make up for the shine and fluff, So, here's a scoop of reindeer poop To offset all that Christmas Goop!!!

#### #3

Christmas is coming and so are the deer listen closely and you will hear, And 'long with them comes a special treat, Reindeer droppings for you to eat!!!!!

To make fill a Ziploc bag with small, round chocolate candies, like covered peanuts, or Cocoa puff cereal, or any other choc. Covered candy. It can also be miniatures baby ruth candy bars. Print out one of the above poems and attach to the bag.

# **SNOWMAN POOPS**

#### #1

Santa's been makin' his list
And checkin' it twice
He knows that you've been naughty
Not nice
Since coal is so expensive
Here's the scoop
Santa has left you
Snowman Poop!

# #2

You have been bad so here's the scoop all you get is Snowman's Poop!

#### #3

I heard you've been naughty, So listen: here's the scoop.

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I'm running short on coal this year, So you get snowman poop. Love, Santa

#### #4

In the cold of winter when snow arrives,
All the snowman dance and feel alive.
If you follow in their tracks,
You will find little droppings from their cracks.
Round and white
So sweet and light
Eat one eat two
And have sweet dreams tonight!

#### #5

Santa came and went last night
Traveling on his worldwide loop
Because you weren't so good this year
You get no coal just snowman poop
Round and white so sweet and light
Eat some and have good dreams tonight

### #6

Santa came and went last night
Traveling on his worldwide loop
Because you weren't so good this year
You get no coal just snowman poop

#### #7

Heard you've been naughty so here's the scoop all you get for Christmas is snowman poop

To make the packages, fill a Ziploc Snack Size bag (about 1/3 the size of regular ones), about 1/4 or 1/3 full with mini white marshmallows, and put sticker on outside of bag with one of the sayings above on it.

#### **Turkey Poop**

You invited me to dinner with your family and your friends. You didn't say I was the main dish. For me it was "THE END!"

You frightened me so badly I knew I had been duped!
So I left you with my calling card: This bag of Turkey Poop!

Place a handful of coffee beans or chocolate-covered coffee beans in a small baggie and add the poem.

# ~~JUST FOR FUN GIFTS~~

A Bag of Coal for you.

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Santa checked is list once, Then he checked his list twice, And he found out you were naughty, not nice.. So if you're good next year And nice as can be, You'll find presents, not coal, under your tree!!

put some pieces of chunked up black licorice in a baggie and tie with red & green ribbon

# **ANGEL DUST**

Decorate an envelope with markers or your inkjet printer. Place this poem inside with glitter or sparkling confetti inside:

This Angel Dust is magic But only when kept enclosed Should you dare to open it Your doubt will be exposed So put your faith in Angels And keep it tightly closed.

# Angel Dust 2

Within this little bag, placed with loving care, Is special Angel Dust, my guardian placed there. It is to share with special friends when they're down and feeling blue. To lift their heart and share a smile as special friends should do. And so I bagged this just for you, to have on hand should you feel blue.

### Angel Feather

This is something you can use to tuck in a card or pass it to someone who is feeling down You need one white feather, and the following poem....

I am an angel feather, sent from God above
To serve as a reminder to you, of his precious love
I'm from your guardian angel that God assigned to you
And fell out in her struggles as she protected you.
Each time you almost stumble each time you nearly fall
Thank god and all his angels for answering your call.

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# A Wanna Be Washer and Dryer

Buy good quality tea towels and washcloths, roll and tie with ribbon, put into a box and attach the following poem

This Christmas our ship has finally come in We're feeling so wealthy and rich. Instead of some small remembrance This year will quite a switch. We're giving a gift of high quality No more cheap presents for us. It's time we really went all out But don't worry, it's really no fuss. We considered giving you a sports car Or maybe a tropical cruise ---But we decided to be more practical And give something you really could use. So, open the box and you may be surprised, To find not only one gift, but TWO ---We hope you will put your presents to work It's a WASHER & DRYER, too!

# **BELLY BUTTON BRUSH**

### Needed:

Any color pipe cleaner, long bead. cardboard stock printing paper, small piece of wood (optional).

Cut pipe cleaner in 3" sections. Take one end and push down into bead. Roll remaining pipecleaner into a circle. (The bead & pipe cleaner now look like a small toilet brush.)

Print out this saying on cardboard stock paper and attach the small brush.

This Teeny Tiny Gift,
Does a Teeny, Tiny Chore.
But When You've Finished Using It,
You'll Be Troubled Nevermore.

By The Balls of Lint That Gather, In That Pesky Little Place; A Birthmark That is Shared, By All the Human Race.

So Use This Navel Lint Remover, With Care and in Good Health. And When You're Done, You'll Surley Know, You've Completely Cleaned Youself!

#### Box of love

Wrap a small empty box. Be creative when wrapping!! Attach this poem:

This is a very special gift that you can never see even if you open it

Can you guess what it could be?

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The box is very tiny, but The gift is very big!

It's bigger than a bread box It's bigger than a pig!

The gift would fill this room It's bigger than the sky It's all packed up in that little box You'd never guess, so don't try

This box is filled with love and a silly laugh or two So don't open it...hold it close It's from my heart to you!!

#### **COW SEEDS**

Take some large white lima beans and paint black spots on them, put them in a baggie. Staple saying to baggie. Saying has two sides.

FRONT SIDE: (Print a picture of a cow on it) COW SEEDS
HERD STARTER KIT
Directions on other side.

BACK SIDE: 1.Start your own herd.

- 2. Plant the seeds in warm spot right side up. Cow will grow upside down if planted wrong.
- 3. Be patient, it takes a long time to start your own herd.
- 4. For best results, MOO softly while watering

# **Christmas Cookies**

Buy some Christmas cookie cutters and attach the following poem to it. Remember to include your favourite cookie recipe as well.

I made a plate of cookies to share with you this year, I thought it was a good way to spread some Christmas cheer. They all looked really tasty, so I thought I'd eat just one. And a little while later, I noticed there were none! So here's my Christmas recipe, and a cookie cutter too, Now you can make your own cookies, and maybe share a few.

# **CHRISTMAS DUST:**

Take a baggie and put oats and glitter in it.

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Staple saying to baggie.

**CHRISTMAS DUST** 

Sprinkle your lawn with CHRISTMAS DUST this CHRISTMAS EVE and wait-

The glitter will sparkle! Santa will see your house when it is late.

The sparkle is magic on CHRISTMAS EVE when seen by Santa's eyes,

The smell of oats will guide the reindeer down from the highest skies.

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### Circus Mix

1 package (10.5 ounces) marshmallow circus peanuts

1 package (10 ounces) jelly beans

1 package (5.3 ounces) animal crackers

Combine all ingredients in a large bowl. Store in an airtight container. Yield: about 8 cups mix

\* I put 1 cup of mix into a baggie. Then used a white lunch-size paper bag, attached a gift-label with a picture of Santa that said "North Pole Circus Mix" and decorated with ribbon.

# Coffee Cup Truffles

For your favorite teacher, or anyone special, fill a plain coffee mug with homemade fudge or truffle candies and wrap mug with Reynolds Holiday Prints Plastic Wrap. To make truffle candies, finely chop 1 package (8 ounce) semi sweet chocolate squares in a blender or food processor; place in bowl. Heat 1/2 cup heavy whipping cream in saucepan over medium heat, just until it comes to a boil. Add 1 tablespoon instant coffee powder; stir until dissolved. Pour over chocolate; let stand 30 minutes to melt chocolate. Whisk until smooth and shiny. Stir in 2 tablespoons vanilla extract. cover bowl with plastic wrap and refrigerate overnight. Roll rounded teaspoons of chocolate mixture into balls and roll in 1 1/2 cups ground pecans. Place candies in coffee mugs, wrap and refrigerate. Makes 2 dozen candies.

#### CUP OF TEA CARD

On the front of the card print a picture of a really fancy tea cup, above it print: FRIENDSHIP BEGINS WITH A CUP OF KINDNESS.

Inside it print: Please take the time to share a cup of CHRISTMAS TEA with someone you love. MERRY CHRISTMAS! Also inside the card put two tea bags.

# **DONUT SEEDS**

Take a baggie and put Cheerios or some other cereal that looks like a donut in it. Staple saying to baggie. Saying has two sides.

FRONT SIDE: DONUT SEEDS NEW HYBRID Grow your own donut bush. GIFT BASKET IDEAS Page 94 of 105

Planting instructions on back of package.

BACK SIDE: HOW TO GROW

Carefully place one seed at bottom of a ten foot hole, five feet apart in any type of soil.

When mature; bush will grow to a height of six feet.

FOR GLAZED DONUTS: Pour twenty pounds of sugar in each hole.

GUARANTEE: If for any reason you are not completely satisfied, or plants fail to grow in five years- Dig up seeds for PRO-RATED refund.

GOTCHA, INC. DONUT GROWERS

# **Dustpan Cookies**

You need a clean new dustpan, a batch of your favorite cookies with some of them broken. Put the cookies on the dustpan, with the broken cookies on the top, wrap with cellophane, tie with bow and attach one of the poems.

I was baking some cookies,

When they dropped on the floor

So I scooped them right up

And rushed them to your door!

Merry Christmas From Our House To Yours!

I dropped these cookies on the floor,

so we can't eat them anymore.

I swept them up, as quick as I could.

Please let me know if they're still good.

# **EXERCISER**

Take a 2 1/2 x 2" block of wood, put it and the saying in a baggie.

### **EXERCISER**

- 1. Place block in the center of the room.
- 2. Walk around the block two times.
- 3. Rest!! After all you've walked around the block two times!!!

Fool proof diet kits

Magic Weight Loss Beans

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Put some large dried beans into a baggie and add these directions.

- 1. Remove beans from bag.
- 2. Throw them on the floor.
- 3. Bend down and pick up each bean.
- 4. Repeat hourly as needed.

# Giggle Jars

Use standard "wide mouth" baby food jars for best results. The juice jars just don't look quite right. With the lid on the jar, glue two large or three small cotton balls to the lid of the jar. Then run a bead of tacky glue around the edge of the lid. Next cover with a 4 to 6 inch square of some sort of pretty cloth. Hold in place with a rubber band until glue is set - about 15 to 20 minutes (dry is better). Before the glue is set, kinda slide the cloth around to "even out" the folds and pleats. Take lid off the jar and using scissors, trim the cloth flush with the bottom edge of the lid. Remove the rubber band and trim the edge of the lid with lace, or rick rack, or narrow ribbon, etc. You should now have a jar with the lid looking kinda like an under-stuffed pin-cushion. Print up the following sayings onto a sheet of card stock..or business card. Punch a hole in one corner. Tie a short piece of ribbon to each tag. Have the girls take the lid off a jar hold it close to her mouth and "giggle" into each jar. Then quickly replace the lid, pinching the tags ribbon in the jar.

#### Poem:

You say this jar is empty, Well take another look! This jar is filled with giggles, In every little nook. I put them there for you to save, For when your life seems low. So open up when times are sad, And let my giggles flow.

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# **HUGS AND KISSES**

Hugs and Kisses are affection to share,
To show others that you care. Hugs and Kisses are sent your way,
From someone who cares and wishes to say, My prayer for you is to have
a good day, And remember someone while on your way. And don't be too busy
to spend a moment or two, Thanking the Lord for His blessings to you.
And as you remember this Hug and Kiss, May it remind you of your friend
or sis.

(Give Poem attached to a bag of Hershey's Hugs and Kisses Mixed)

# The Jelly Bean Prayer

RED is for the blood He gave. GREEN is for the grass He made. YELLOW is for the sun so right. ORANGE is for the edge of night BLUE is for the sins we made. WHITE is for the grace He gave. PURPLE is for His hour of sorrow. PINK is for our new tomorrow.

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A bag full of jelly beans colorful and sweet, Is a prayer, is a promise, is a special treat.

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Jellybean Soup

To make this jellybean soup you need: jellybeans m&m's tootsie rolls chocolate marshmallow egg or bunnny

Into sometime of container place the above candies. You can decide on how much depending on the size of your container. Attach the following poem:

It's Easter time,
What a lucky group.
We're going to dine,
On Jellybean soup.
We'll cook those beans,
Till they're red hot.
Add M&M's-To fill up the pot.
We'll eat that soup.
And when we're through,
We'll have our tasty
Marshmallow stew.
For dessert we'll have a Tootsie Roll
And tomorrow it will be Chocolate casserole!

Love is the Spice of Life

I give this gift to brides or new couples of any kind. I give an empty spice bottle or shaker with the word "LOVE" on it. I print LOVE on a clear label and put that on if the holder is large enough.. or paint it on if you are a painter...

#### LOVE

Ingredients: Faithfulness, Gentleness, Goodness, Joy, Kindness, Patience, Peace, Protection, Trust, Truthfulness and Unselfishness.

Then I attach this card:

# THE STORY BEHIND "LOVE"

For many years a man watched his wife take a locked box down from the cupboard. She would unlock the box, take a pinch, sprinkle it over whatever she was cooking, relock the box and return it to its place. One day, while his wife was away, his curiosity got the best of him. He went to the cupboard, took the box down and opened it. To his surprise it was empty! He turned it over and on the bottom was written the word "LOVE". So, though not in your recipe book, into everything you cook, put in a big pinch of "LOVE". Keep your "LOVE" within easy reach and use generously.

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# The Marble Story

A friend of mine once said to me, this marble is for you.

Cause I was sure I had lost all of mine, when life became so blue.

For now I know despite the odds, my marbles may be few.

But this friend of mine reminded me, life can be wonderful too.

So here's a marble just for you, and only for some fun.

So when you think you've "lost your marbles", you know you have at least one.

You can fasten a marble to a card with the poem printed on it and give it to your friend

# MAGIC CUPID DUST

Fill a small plastic bag with red and white glitter On a pink piece of card stock print –

Toss a little pinch of Cupid Dust in the air when you need to feel some magical sensations. It is a tiny sprinkling of love, fortune, and tenderness. Trust in Cupid. You will never be alone and your life will be full of happiness. Hope your Valentine's Day Sparkles

# Magic Snowflakes

This is sized to go on the baseball card protection sleeve little bags. I put white confetti, Mylar snowflakes, and some white glitter in the bag....

Here is the verse:

We looked out our window and to our surprise, there were shiny tiny snowflakes dancing before our eyes. My sis and I got our coats and bundled up tight, then we ran outside right into the night. We stood there in awe wondering what to do as the amount of snow just grew and grew. We realized the magic right before our eyes, each snowflake that fell was a wish from the skies. We've gathered some snowflakes just for you, sprinkle them around and all of your wishes will come true.

# **NATURE'S BUBBLE BATH:**

Take a baggie and put beans in it (like the kind you use for ham and beans) Staple saying to baggie.

### NATURE'S BUBBLE BATH

Directions for use: Soak for one hour, Cook, Eat before taking bath.

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# NICE PILLS:

Take a baggie and put candy in it (I use small round ones that look like medicine). Staple saying to baggie.

# **NICE PILLS**

We all know someone who could be a little nicer. Do them and yourself a favor.

Provide them with this supply of NICE PILLS.

They do wonders for in-laws, bosses, ex-husbands or ex-wives, nosey neighbors, GROUCHY, HATEFUL people may take two if needed.

# Old Age Pills

Use the jelly beans and make a bag topper

Black JB Senility Geen JB constipation Orange JB Deafness Pink JB Wrinkles Purple JB Arthritis Red JB sex White JB Baldness Yellow JB gas

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#### POWERBAND:

Take a piece of leather rope and tie one end, put the beads on the rope in the order they are listed and then tie the other end.

Put the band and the saying in a baggie.

**POWERBAND** 

BLACK is our sin before we are saved.

RED is the blood of CHRIST shed for us on the cross.

WHITE we are cleansed when we are saved.

BLUE is baptism.

GREEN we are growing in CHRIST.

YELLOW/GOLD is our riches in HEAVEN.

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# **PRAYER ROCK**

Print out this poem ... maybe with a graphic of praying hands or someone kneeling in prayer. Go outside and get a small rock. Place the rock on saran wrap and twist up and tie with a ribbon. Poof up the top of the wrapping. Tie the poem to the package with ribbon. It looks nice rolled like a scroll and tied with a ribbon to match the ribbon tying the package.

I'm Your little prayer rock and this is what I'll do. Just put me on your pillow 'til the day is through

Then turn back the covers and climb into the bed:

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WHACK!, your little prayer rock will hit you on the head!

Then you will remember as the day is through
To kneel and say your prayers as you wanted to.
Then when you are all finished just dump me on the floor
I'll stay right there all through the night to give you help once more.

When you get up in the morning... CLUNK! I'll stub your toe So you will remember your morning prayers before you go. Put me back on your pillow when your bed is made, And you clever little prayer rock will continue to your aid.

Because Your Heavenly Father cares and loves you so He wants you to remember to talk to Him you know!

# SPECIAL GIFT:

Take a 3 1/2 x 2 1/2 block of wood and wrap it with wrapping paper. After you glue saying to front, put a bow on it.

This is a very special gift
That you can never see
The reason it's so special is
It's just for you from me.
Whenever you are lonely
Or ever feeling blue,
You only have to hold this gift
And know I think of you.
You never can unwrap it.
Please leave the ribbon tied.
Just hold the box close to heart,
It's filled with love inside.

# Spoonful of love

Put two Hershey kisses on a spoon tied in saran wrap and tied with ribbon

In this spoonful of love, 2 kisses you'll see One's from Santa Claus, The other's from me

# **CANDY GRAMS**

CANDY GRAM PRESENTATION

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You can present the candy grams in various ways. I usually make a label that will fit around a quart sized paint can, attach the label, then put Styrofoam in the bottom of the can. I use the wooden skewers and clear packing tape. Tape a skewer to each candy bar/item. Then insert them at varying heights into the can. This becomes a bouquet. I usually add curly ribbon, or balloons or decorations depending on the occasion. You can also decorate a large terra cotta pot....insert the Styrofoam and set the candy on the skewers into the pot....making an arrangement. Then you will need to print the "gram" out on your computer. I usually tape that to a skewer too, and insert that into the pot along with the bars. You can also get foam core board, and handprint out the gram. (in large lettering) Gluing the actual candy bar to the place in the sentence instead of the name of the candy bar. These are really unusual gifts, and generally cause quite a conversation piece.

# Candy Gram Packaging Ideas

You can do them alot of different ways.

- 1. Stuff the mentioned candy bars in an empty 2 liter pop bottle, and make a new lable for it with the "gram" on it. (Label covers the slit you make to put the stuff inside) Add some ribbon at the top on the lid.
- 2. Use an empty clean new paint can (from home improvement centers). And make a label with the "Gram" on it, and put the contents inside sticking out with tissue also sticking out...or put all the contents inside and close the lid on them..with another graphic on the lid.
- 3. Glue them all on a piece of thin foamcore board, or poster board, with the candy glue gunned down where the words would be. It is sort of a giant "Gram"
- 4. Put everything in any kind of containter, that has a card or tag attached with the "gram" on it...This could be a basket, a pail, an empty large jar...anything. Decorate the container appropriately fo the occasion. Examples would be for a little boy--a childs toy truck with the candies in the back part...you could even bundle them all up in tulle and set them in the back of the dump truck, or cover the back of the dump truck with syran wrap and add a bow, and the gram card. OR a nice basket with the candies, and perhaps even a little potted flower tucked in the middle of the candies for Mother..Wrap the whole basket in netting and add a big colorful bow and the card with the gram. OR a BABY gram could be a little doll bassinet....etc...you get the idea.

### Candy Gram

The RIESEN for this greeting, is to wish you a CAREFREE holiday season. Don't go NUTS while you are fighting the MOUNDS of people all shopping at the last minute. Take some time to enjoy the SYMPHONY of voices from the carolers, or enjoy a SWEET ESCAPE on me. Don't worry about getting CHUNKY on all those holiday treats either. There will be GOOD and PLENTY time to worry about that after the holidays. Even though the road leading to Christmas may be a ROCKY ROAD.....just think of all the ALMOND JOY you will receive when your friends/family see how well they SKORed with all those gifts. Don't be a BUTTERFINGER unwrapping all of them. And get that BIG HUNK of yours to be a LIFESAVER and make you a cup of TEA. Sit back, relax and may your PEANUT BUTTER CUP overflow with SPECIAL TREASURES of holiday memories.

# Candy Gram

Shepherds used their {Staffs} to guide the sheep, As a tiny newborn {Baby} lay fast asleep. A bright shiny {Star} led the wise men to his humble abode, With them they carried gifts, one of which was {Gold}. This baby became our {Savior}, to lead us on our way, Remember this great miracle, as you celebrate Christmas Day.

To put in the bag.....
Staff.......Candy Cane
Baby ......Baby Ruth Bar
Star......Starburst Candy

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| Gold   | Wrapped Gold Coins |
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| Savior | Life Saver Candy   |
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Candy gram for teachers:

Dear Mrs(teacher's name):

I have to admit, (student's name) did not exactly shake her (POM POMS) when she found out she had you for a teacher. Rumor had it that your gave out (MOUNDS) of homework. But when she actually saw how much you did give, she thought her eyes were playing (TWIX) on her! It was (GOOD & PLENTY) and she thought you were (NUTRAGEOUS)!! It turns out that you were a (LIFESAVER), because her (SKOR)'s were so high, I thought I had (DOTS) in front of my eyes!! So, as our thanks to you, we are going to go to Mr. (WHATCHAMACALLIT) (the principal) and ask him to give you a bonus of, let's say (100 GRAND), on (PAYDAY) for being such a Great Teacher! Have a (CAREFREE) Summer, and here's a few (NIPS) for you to enjoy either (NOW OR LATER), (HUGS & KISSES)

Love.

Your Name

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Candy gram for son or daughter

Dear Daughter/Son:

Happy Birthday daughter/son, May your day be filled with MOUNDS of JOY with the Dove's PROMISE of more to come. You have permission to SKITTLE through the day with a StarBURST of energy. U-NO you are loved. HUGS & KISSES.

ANNIVERSARY candy gram

Happy Anniversary, you SWEETARTS! Fifty years gone by, and you are still each others RIESEN for living. You've been each others ALMOND JOY as you travel the ROCKY ROADs and MILKY WAYs together. The GOOD & PLENTY CAREFREE days outweigh the NUTRAGEOUS times and you have shared plenty of SNICKERS. You'll always be each others BIT O HONEY, and SUGAR BABIES. You are each others SPECIAL TREASURE in life. Here's to another 50 years of SYMPHONYs and STARBURSTs. And that you continue to ROLO-ver next to each other each morning with CAREFREE smiles. HUGS & KISSES,

**Christmas** 

We wish you a Merry Christmas from this JOLLY RANCHER and his MILK MAIDS and MILK DUDes. We wish you MOUNDS of SPECIAL TREASURES in the New Year. We hope that your SUGAR BABIES will take special care to stay away from the NUTS and LEMON HEADS in the world and that their DREAMS are filled with PETER PAN fun. We hope you hit the lotto this year and make at least 100 GRAND. We pray the Lord will keep you from venturing on ROCKY ROADs. Keep in mind that we always have HUGS & KISSES for our family\*, especially when we feel TWIZZLEd and blue. Ignore the SNICKERS of others and know always that you SKOREd big by having such a loving family\*\*.

\*change family to "friends."

\*\*change to "NUTRAGEOUS friends", so it works for both.

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# Dad's Day candy gram

Dear (Sugar) Daddy,

You are the best dad in the whole Milky Way, even though you are from Mars and I'm from Venus. You Skor high points as a dad....don't Snicker(s). When you were born there was a Symphony in heaven! Your Hot Tamale(s), Mom, still thinks you are a Big Hunk. I wish I could take you on a shopping Spree on 5th Avenue in New York (Peppermint Patty), but they don't have Builders Square there because they're Nerds. Love you Mounds,

Your Nut (Roll)

#### **GETTING MARRIED CANDY GRAM**

I arranged everything in a big planter, and attached the following letter...

# Dear (\_\_\_\_):

I wish you and (groom) the Best of Luck and much fortune in the years to come. However....before you "Pledge" your eternal love, there are a few things you should know about the man you are soon to marry.

First of all, the "Son of a Gun" will always be looking for a "Bit o Honey" and a bit of "Almond Joy". He will not be content to just "Snuggle" and "Carress". He will expect you to "Shout" with "Joy" each time you make Whoopee. But make sure you never shout out "Oh Henry." Believe me, sometimes it will take "Sheer Endurance" and maybe a few "Nips" to hold back the "Snickers" when he offers to show you his "Babe Ruth."

Secondly, you are absolutely, positively NOT allowed to get "Chunky" or he will be sure to "Vanish" in a "Jif"! And Thirdly, probably the most important of all...If you want to "Stayfree" from all that "Baby Magic" for a little while, it will be up to YOU to "Safeguard" yourself. DO NOT leave it up to old "Butterfinger", because he'll just "Squirt (&Mop)" on his way to the "Milky Way".

Don't let this scare you though, because (groom) is really a "Fantastic" guy and not a "Nerd" who will always make your life a "Symphony." Even if he isn't "Mr. Clean."

Here's wishing you a life that is a "Breeze" with nothing but "Joy." That your love never goes out with the "Tide," and you make "Fab"ulous money, so you can afford a maid so your hands stay "Chiffon" soft.
"Sunlight" and "Cheer"

#### **Graduation Candy Gram**

# Congratulations

You survived Teachers from MARS...MOUNDS of homework... NUTRAGEOUS late nights of studying to SKOR well on exams and ROCKY ROADS. You proved you can ROLL (tootsie) with the punches and you're no DUM DUM. You proved you were a RED HOT student. There will be no SNICKERS, only a SYMPHONY of cheers as you graduate. Have a CAREFREE summer and get ready to hit those High School books so you can get the perfect job earning \$100 GRAND a year. WERTHER you succeed is up to you. I have faith in you because you have always been a (Almond) JOY to me.

HUGS and KISSES,

### <u>Graduation Candy Gram ~ Another Version</u>

# Congratulations

You survived Teachers from MARS...MOUNDS of homework... NUTRAGEOUS late nights of studying to SKOR well on exams and ROCKY ROADS. You proved you can ROLL (tootsie) with the punches and you're no DUM DUM. You proved you were a RED HOT student. There will be no SNICKERS, only a SYMPHONY of cheers as you graduate. I'll be the one in the front row doing FLIPZ.

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Have a CAREFREE summer and get ready to hit the books again EXTRA hard. WERTHER you succeed is up to you. As far as I am concerned, there is a STARBURST in the MILKY WAY with your name on it. I have faith in you because you have always been a (Almond) JOY to me. Remember, Mamma didn't raise any NERDS and you can always call on me when you need a LIFESAVER. **HUGS and KISSES** I'm sorry Gram Dear Sometimes mistakes are small like CHOCOLATE COVERED RAISINS other times they seem to be as big as aMOUNTAIN (bar). I took a CHANCE and made you unhappy with me. I never MINT too! I PROMISE I won't make such a NUTRAGEOUS goof again! You are very special to me and I go to REESE'S, when I know you are unhappy! I could just crawl back into a TURTLE 's shell, and pretend it doesn't matter, but it does! I have MOUNDS of affection for you, and this was nothing to SNICKER about. I could LOOK all the way from the MILKY WAY to 5TH AVENUE and not find a more wonderful\_\_\_\_\_ than you! Please accept my apologies and show me one of those CAREFREE smiles! Love \_ Mother's Day Gram I know I haven't been an ALMOND JOY to you all my life. I have been down some ROCKY ROADs, but you have always been there to help me pick up the REESE'S PIECES and pave a better MILKY WAY for me. You are truly a SPECIAL TREASURE in my life. A CAREFREE spirit and never without HUGS & KISSES for her child. You are the RIESEN they made Mother's Day BAR NONE. Happy Mother's Day. I love you GOOD & PLENTY. Your SUGAR BABIES, Mothers Day Gram Another Version Dear Mom: I know there is a special REISIN you are my Mom. When life has given me ROCKY ROADS, I can count on you to be my LIFESAVER! Even when I have given you MOUNDS of trouble or when I've been a DUM DUM, you hardly ever SNICKER. You will always have a BIG HUNK of my heart because you are such a TREASURE to me. I look forward to SKITTLES of fun continuing to learn from you. You are such a SWEET TART. There aren't

enough stars in the MILKY WAY and around MARS to outshine you.

Hope you had a GRAND Mother's Day!

**HUGS & KISSES** 

**NURSES** candy gram

Nurses are an ALMOND JOY to have around when you are feeling under the weather. They work NUTRAGEOUS hours to see that our loved ones are taken care of GOOD & PLENTY and on their MILKY WAY to recovery. They soothe away RED HOTS fevers with just a gentle touch, and show MOUNDS of kindness to their patients each day. They never forget that sometimes a little SNICKER is the best medicine. They have to remain calm,

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and can never have BUTTERFINGERS. Nurses are SPECIAL TREASURES and worth more than \$100 GRAND. They are truly LIFESAVERS and deserve a big HUG, and a SWEET ESCAPE

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Retirement Candy Gram

WOW, Your PAYDAY is finally here. After all these years of rolling up your sleeves, ROCKY ROADS, MOUNDS of work, you are finally able to LOOK for SKITTLES of fun things to do. WERTHER or not you hit 5TH AVENUE or fly to MARS to do the CHARLESTON, we know that you will be CAREFREE and have a NUTRAGEOUS retirement with, ZERO thoughts of the work CRUNCH! We really SKORed big having you to work with (for). So you're the REISEN for our celebration, our wishes for your ALMOND JOYful retirement after all the GOOD & PLENTY of work you have done. Your a SPECIAL TREASURES to us, the best BAR NONE! You are worth a MINT!

Student Candy Gram

The candies can be placed in a basket, or on a sheet of poster board w/ the candy taking the place of the words: I know you think your teachers are from MARS, but there is a RIESEN for it. They're trying to cram MOUNDS of information into your brain in a short time. You're on a TOOTSIE ROLL and working towards graduation, and that's hard work. But think of it, when you graduate, you could be earning \$100 GRAND a year! Cheer up, you're not a MILK DUD or a DUM DUM. Don't SKITTLES it all yet and go NUTRAGEOUS. Hang in there, study hard, and don't worry about the SNICKERS from your friends. WERTHER or not you succeed is up to you. I have faith in you because you've always been my ALMOND JOY. (or BIT O HONEY or SUGAR BABY) I'll always be here for you.

HUGS & KISSES, Mom.

Tax Day Candy Gram

If taxes have taken a BIG HUNK out of your PAY DAY, and you're staring down a ROCKY ROAD with no hope of SWEET ESCAPES, here's a little LIFESAVER to make you feel like you've gotten your MILKY WAY. Just sit back, SNICKERS, and grin because you have in your hands the only \$100 GRAND the IRS can't take away. Now isn't that an ALMOND JOY?

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**Teacher Candy Gram** 

The RIESEN for this candy gram is to thank you GOOD & PLENTY for the MOUNDS of knowledge I have gained while in your class. It has been an ALMOND JOY to be your student and your help has MINT a lot to me. Teachers that reach their goal by helping students reach theirs, are truly SPECIAL TREASURES. You SKOR an A+ with me!

HUGS.

Valentine's Day Candy Gram

My Dearest (Sugar Baby):

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Happy Valentines Day. May this bouquet bring you a (Snicker) as you read my message. It will not make you (Chunky) and I am not playing (Twix) on you. You are my (Bit-O-Honey), you are worth more than a (100 Grand) to me, I get (Goo Goo) eyes every time I see you. Our (Good-N-Plenty) life together is like shopping on (5th Avenue) on (Pay Day). I wish you (Mounds) of (Almond Joy) on this Valentines Day. Hugs and Kisses (Now and Later)

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