

# Cardboard Boxes

Develops creative play and spatial awareness



Cardboard boxes are endlessly versatile as a play item and irresistible to kids. The first thing a young child will normally do when they find a largish box is climb into it. Climbing into, crawling through, and pushing boxes around is fun and it develops your child's spatial awareness, an ability to understand where they are in relation to other objects.

Boxes are a blank canvas when it comes to play. **Baby Box Play** choose fruit boxes, add a rope handle and give your sitting infant a sled ride. Play row your boat or turn large boxes into crawling tunnels. **Pre-Walker Box Play** make high sided boxes part of an obstacle course when they're standing or cruising, or turn them into a push cart for practicing walking skills. **Toddler and Preschooler Box Play** let their imagination go wild with creating cubby houses, rockets and pirate ships. Help them use scissors and plastic knives for cutting the cardboard, provide tape and chunky markers - all further develop their fine motor skills.



## Develops problem solving skills

Learning how to use tools like scissors, plastic knives and tape.



## Develops creativity

Box play is open-ended - there is no limit to what your child can invent.



## Family fun

Share in your child's play. Help them use tools to build their creation.

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