

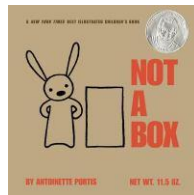
Fun with Boxes Activity Guide



You don't need fancy or expensive toys and games to help your young child learn. You can help nurture your child's creativity and imagination with items you already have in your home. A simple cardboard box is a great tool for children to explore and learn about the world around them. Giving young children opportunities to try new things, fail, and then try something else, is how their brains grow and develop.

Simply collect some empty cardboard boxes – any shape or size will work! You can also use paper, tape, crayons, markers, or whatever craft supplies you have as building and decorating materials. Ask your child what they would like to build and follow their lead.

For some fun ideas on box creations, watch this read aloud video of [Not a Box by Antoinette Portis](#)



Need more ideas? Check out some of these great titles from the Saint Paul Public Library!

[Cardboard Box Engineering by Jonathan Adolph](#)

[A Pig, A Fox, and A Box by Jonathan Fenske](#)

[Thank You Bear by Greg Foley](#)

[Big Box Little Box by Caryl Hart](#)

[51 Things to Make With Cardboard Boxes by Fiona Hayes](#)

[My Book Box by Will Hillenbrand](#)

[The Birthday Box by Leslie Patricelli](#)

[Boxitects by Kim Smith](#)

[Out of the Box by Jemma Westing](#)

[The Nowhere Box by Sam Zuppardi](#)

