

50 Cool Things To Do With a Cardboard Box



1. Use it as a **sled** to slide down a hill.
2. **Build** a fort or playhouse.
3. See how many you can **stack** before they fall over.
4. Create a **boat**.
5. Use it as a tunnel to **crawl** through.
6. **Cut** circular holes in it and use it as a target.
7. Make wings out of it and pretend to **fly**.
8. Leave the top open and **throw** things into it.
9. Make a “**Mud Café**” out of a few big boxes.
10. Use a couple of small boxes to **make** a robot costume, then **act** like a robot.
11. **Build** a box tower and then knock it down.
12. Use a couple of small boxes to **create** a pair of activity dice.
13. Create a mini **cardboard village** or city.
14. Use it as a **mudslinging** background.
15. **Construct** a maze out of a bunch of boxes.
16. Create a **rocket**.
17. **Jump** over, in, or out of a box.
18. Play **inside** it.
19. **Make** a cardboard ramp.
20. Use it as a drum, guitar or other **musical instrument**.
21. Create a **sword** and **shield** and have a sword fight.
22. Get inside a box and have a friend **push** or **pull** you, as if it was a car.
23. Use it to **haul** things.
24. **Stomp** on a bunch of small ones.
25. **Kick** a few small boxes.
26. Make a **train** and pretend to be the conductor or the passenger.
27. **Draw** characters on boxes, **cut** the characters out, and **perform** a skit.
28. **Create** an elevator out of a box.
29. **Fill** your box with loose parts.
30. Draw and cut out pictures of healthy foods from the boxes and **pretend** like you’re shopping for food at a grocery store.
31. Make box **shoes** and move around while wearing them.
32. Use it for **tummy time** (infants).
33. Create giant **playing cards** by cutting up boxes.
34. Make **street signs**.
35. Make a **wheelbarrow**.
36. **Plant** your favorite plant in the box.
37. Create mail and a **mailbox**.
38. Create a **puppet theater**.
39. Use it to make a **time machine**.
40. Create a **horses’ head** and make a hobby horse.
41. Draw **all over** the box.
42. Make an **obstacle course**.
43. Stand inside a tall box and pretend you are in a **princess’s tower**.
44. **Balance** your box on one finger.
45. Create a **balance beam**.
46. Use natural loose parts to create an **animal** with your box (dog, cat, bird).
47. Play **catch** with a small box.
48. Box **bowling** (stand boxes up).
49. Use a box to make your favorite **flag**.
50. Create a **new game** with boxes.

Tip: Remember, children are the ones who have all the **ideas**, so let them **workout** some of the ways of using a box on their own.

