

Packing Checklist for Little Kids

Sometimes it seems like preschoolers should come with their own bellhops. Here's everything you need to be prepared for your next trip.



Carry-on Bag/Tote

- ☐ crayons or washable markers
- ☐ coloring book
- ☐ sweatshirt/hoodie/sweater
- ☐ child's passport if traveling internationally
- ☐ plastic bags (for storing wet clothes, motion sickness emergencies, etc.)
- ☐ boarding passes
- ☐ itinerary
- ☐ contact info for where you'll be staying, rental car, etc.
- ☐ snacks (crackers, freeze-dried fruit, string cheese, etc.)
- ☐ sippy cups
- ☐ lollipops for takeoff and landing to relieve ear pressure if you're flying (or get a favorite drink once through security or from a flight attendant before takeoff)
- ☐ a couple of small favorite toys and a couple of new toys
- ☐ extra outfit for child
- ☐ extra shirt for you
- ☐ laptop or tablet computer or portable DVD player with favorite DVD

To have handy in case you arrive late or your luggage is lost:

- ☐ children's book
- ☐ favorite blanket
- ☐ lovey
- ☐ pajamas
- ☐ tissues
- ☐ digital thermometer
- ☐ children's nasal saline drops
- ☐ children's acetaminophen
- ☐ prescription medications
- ☐ antibiotic ointment
- ☐ bandages

Gear

- ☐ lightweight stroller
- ☐ car seat
- ☐ travel potty

Clothes

- ☐ outfits (1 per day + 2 extra)
- ☐ dressy outfit
- ☐ socks (1 pair per day + 2 extra)
- ☐ underwear or pull-ups (1-2 per day + 2 extra)
- ☐ shoes/sandals
- ☐ waterproof jacket with hood
- ☐ sun hat
- ☐ barrettes/ponytail holders

Bath

- ☐ universal sink/tub stopper (available at hardware stores)
- ☐ a couple of favorite bath toys

- ☐ children's shampoo/soap
- ☐ children's toothbrush
- ☐ children's toothpaste
- ☐ travel potty
- ☐ comb/hairbrush
- ☐ nail scissors
- ☐ sunscreen

Bedtime

- ☐ stuffed animal/doll/lovey
- ☐ nightlight
- ☐ pajamas (1 per day + 2 extra)
- ☐ kids' books

Sun/Pool/Beach

- ☐ two swimsuits
- ☐ life vest
- ☐ a couple of favorite beach toys
- ☐ earplugs
- ☐ bug spray

Cold Weather/Snow

- ☐ mittens
- ☐ parka
- ☐ snow boots
- ☐ snow pants
- ☐ warm hat

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