GRUMPY BLOCK HUNTER

Grumpy's Bulk LEGO First-Sort Guide

One manageable batch. A few useful categories. A clear place to stop.

1. Set up one small batch

Start with a tray-sized amount and containers you already own. Leave the rest of the lot in an unsorted box. You do not need to buy a drawer system to begin.

2. Make broad groups

Try bricks; plates and tiles; slopes; Technic pieces; minifigures and accessories; and other or unknown pieces. Adjust the groups to suit what you have. Keep obvious non-building items separate.

3. Protect the small pieces

Give tiny clips, connectors and accessories a shallow tray or small container so they do not disappear beneath larger parts. Keep decorated pieces easy to inspect.

4. Divide only where it helps

When a broad group becomes slow to search, split it by shape, size or colour. Try finding three pieces for a build to test whether your divisions help.

5. Label and stop cleanly

Label the containers. Put uncertain pieces in a separate tray to identify later. At the end of the session, return unfinished pieces to the unsorted box and leave your workspace ready for next time.

Before you finish: [ ] Containers labelled [ ] Unknown pieces separated
[ ] Small pieces contained [ ] Unsorted batch put away

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