

2002 TOY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PRESCHOOLERS*

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Multi-Sensory Toys

Musicblocks-Neurosmith
Imagination Desk-Leap Frog
Teaching Telephone-Learning Resources
Talking Cash Register-Summit
Talk 'n Learn Alphabet, Numbers-Fun Years
Teaching Keys Keyboard-Fun Years
Search 'n Discover Book-VTECH
Phonics Writing Desk-Leap Frog
Learning Time Talking Clock-Ready, Set, Grow

Fine Motor Coordination

Pre-Writing

Bilateral Strengthening

Stacking Cups -Shelcore
MagnaDoddle-Tyco
Playdough Fun Factory-Playskool
Great Hits Tee Ball-koosh Jr.
Toss Across-Mattel
Big Ten Bowling Set-STATS
Magnetic Alphabet Desk-Fun Years
Color Wonder-Crayola
Grow to Pro Basketball, Baseball-Fisher Price
Take Apart Tow Truck-Fun Years Preschool
Winnie-the-Pooh Learning Fun Clubhouse-Fisher P.
Form Fitter-Playskool
Magnetic Numbers and Letters-Preskool
Jack-in-the-Box-Shelcore
Paint 'n Swirl-Imagination
Battat Fishing Set-Imaginarium
Wood Blocks-Melissa and Doug
Farm Friends Fuzzy Puzzle-Melissa and Doug
Blo Paints-Color Workshop
Dress-up Kids-Woodkins
Take along Tool Kit-Melissa and Doug
Lace and Trace Form-Melissa and Doug
Jigsaw in a Box-Melissa and Doug
Lite Brite Cube-Hasbro
Space Shuttle Water Game-Pavilion
Crayola Crayon Maker-Crayola
Model Magic-Crayola
Crayola Trace 'n Draw Projector-Crayola
Get Ready Teddy Dress Bear-Read, Set, Grow
Zany Doodler-Zany Brainy
Stack and Spin Race-Sesame Street
Portable Easel Set-Adica
Chubby Brush-ALEX
Glitter Glue Pens-ALEX
Scratch Magic-Scratch Art
Tall Stacker Pegs and Peg Board Set-Lauri
Latches Board-Melissa and Doug

Games for Fine Motor Coordination and Perceptual Skills

Perfection-Milton Bradley
Cootie-Milton Bradley
Wheels on the Bus-Milton Bradley
Hi Ho! Cheerio!- Parker Brothers
Sequence for Kids-Jax Ltd
Puppy Racers-Hasbro
Pop-up Pirate-TOMY
Old MacDonald Had a Farm-Hasbro
Mr Mouth-Milton Bradley
Kerplunk-Mattel
Hungry Hungry Hippos-Hasbro
Puttin' Score-Pavilion
Laughing Limbo-Pavilion
Pizza Party-Winning Moves Games
Egg 'n Spoon Race-International Playthings
Fishin' Fun-Ravensburger
Step on it!- University Games
Husker Du? -Pressman
Twister-Milton Bradley
Race to The Roof-Ravensburger
Ice Cream Scoops-Fisher Price

Constructional Toys

Tinker Toys-Hasbro
Lincoln Logs-K'nex
Kids K'nex-K'nex
Transforming Timmy-Megablocks
Jack Stone-Lego
Imaginext-Fisher Price
ABC, 123 Learning Cubes-Ready Set Grow
Big Builders-Fisher Price
Magnetic Geomag-Plast World
Build 'n Race Marble Speedway-Mind/Moti

Sensory and Gross Motor Toys

Silly Putty- Binney and Smith
Koosh Ball-Koosh
Cosmo Jumping Ball-Imaginarium
Sit 'n Spin-Playskool
Playchute-Pacific Play Tents
Tent & Tunnel-Pacific Play Tents
Whale Playland-Moose Mountain
Fun-Ride Scooter-Hot Wheels
Up and Down Roller Coaster-Step 2
Splat, Gak Splat-Hasbro
Liqualoons-Flying Colors
Skweez, Gooze-Nickelodeon
Floam-Roseart
Air Dry Clay-Blue Sky

*Approximately 18 months-5 years developmental age

Toys in regular font can be found in TOYS R US, and italicized toys in *Zany Brainy*