

# Nearly Exhaustive Gift Ideas for Tween Boys

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More than 125 individual gifts, in 8 broad categories, at a variety of price points, perfect for stocking stuffers, Easter baskets, Christmas and birthdays.

1. Stuff to Do and Places to Go
  2. Low Tech Goodies
  3. High Tech Gadgets
  4. For the Body
  5. Almost a Teen's Body
  6. When Aren't They Eating?
  7. Outdoor / Survivalist
  8. For His Personal Space
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## 1. Stuff to Do and Places to Go

A date for [Geocaching](#) treasure hunts

Lessons for fencing, acting, singing or an instrument

Gift passes for rock climbing, trampolines, bowling, laser tag, game centers

Tickets to see a movie

Tickets to see a band or musical show

Reservations at favorite nice restaurant

## 2. Low Tech Goodies

Yo-Yo

Hacky Sac

House key and [carabineer key chain](#)

Engraved metal luggage tags /dog tags

[Magnetic poetry](#)

[Stress ball](#) / [Tangler](#) / [Fidgit](#) / [Bendeez](#)

Manipulative or 3-D puzzles (like [Darwin's Egg](#) Puzzle)

Puzzle games like [Tangrams](#)

[Graphic novels](#) or first few comics in series

[How-to books](#), like [survival](#), [duct-tape creations](#)

An age-appropriate [book about money](#) or a [biography](#)

Wall Calendar or [Calendar-a-day](#)  
Coffee table book (cars, planes, legos, art, travel)  
Measuring tape  
[Isokinetics Disc](#) or [Balance Board](#)  
Drawing pencils and sketch book and how-to-sketch book  
A [line-a-day diary](#) or [Listography](#) journal or How to [Explore the World](#)  
[Geode kit](#) (This one is great for the younger kids too, but big boys like hammers and rocks just as much.)  
[Bulletproof clipboard](#)  
[Ticket Stub Binder](#) (low-tech, low-effort scrapbook for stubs and such)  
Take paper airplanes to the next level with [Find and Make Plane](#)  
Something useful and goofy, like this [pencil sharpener](#).  
[Poem in Your Pocket](#) book

### 3. High Tech Gadgets

Zipper pull [light](#) / [watch](#)  
Flash Drive  
A watch with alarm / [clip on version](#)  
A pocket watch traditional / [non-traditional](#)  
A [safety arm band](#) for outdoor exercise  
Anything remote control: [small](#) or big ([Helicopter](#))  
[Solar toys](#)  
[Robot build kit](#) or [some other kind of kit](#)  
Cordless or noise cancelling ear phones  
Extra ear buds in various colors  
Ear phone [detangler](#)  
“Old” Movies—your favorites they might like (*Kindergarten Cop*, *Back to the Future*, *School of Rock* etc.)  
A playlist of “oldies” songs or workout songs  
Extra stylus for screens / games  
Timer / Stopwatch (or app for device)  
Apps: to-do lists/calendars, thank you notes, organization  
Gift Cards for itunes or Amazon for songs, apps  
Credit to print [Instagrams](#)  
Subscription to Pandora or Spotify

#### **4. For The Body**

Winter wear: scarf, gloves, hat, slippers  
Summer wear: hat, visor, flip-flops, trunks, goggles, swim shoes, beach Towel  
without characters  
Colorful shoe laces  
PJs (or track pants and soft tees)  
A belt  
A nice shirt and tie (or bow tie)  
A hoodie or jacket he might actually wear  
Tee shirt of favorite band or movie, or retro designs  
Fedora or trendy hat  
Sunglasses and case  
Wallet (or [aluminum wallet](#))  
Vertical cross body/messenger bag

#### **5. Almost a Teen's Body**

Acne [face wipes](#) or cleansers  
Travel shampoos, gels, sunscreens  
A toiletry kit  
Hair [Gel](#) / Pomade  
Colored [hair chalk](#) or [hair spray](#)  
Lip balm w/ SPF  
Electric toothbrush or a [subscription to this tooth brush service](#)  
Paracord bracelet  
A classy book about growing up, the body or teen issues

#### **6. When Aren't They Eating?**

Tassimo / Keurig hot chocolate or decaf lattes  
A sugary cereal they don't normally get  
Unusual candy: local or World Market (like taffy, honey straws, etc.)  
Jerky or summer sausage  
Protein / Cliff bars  
Nutella  
tic-tacs, gum, breath mints  
Smoothie Maker and frozen fruit  
Something of the month club: jelly, candy, etc.  
Gift Cards for coffee, smoothies, bagels, donuts, favorite fast food  
To-go mug or water bottle

## 7. Outdoor / Survivalist

Duct tape in a variety of colors

[Head lamp](#)

Wind-up / solar [flashlight](#) or [lantern](#)

[All-in-one Cutlery set](#)

Pocket knife

Binoculars

[Survival kit](#) / [first aid kit](#)

Work gloves

Tools / tool box

A [dry box](#) for waterproof storage

Sleeping bag / tent

## 8. For His Personal Space

Comforter/blanket without characters

[Lava lamp](#)

Posters of bands, TV shows, movies, etc.

Magnetic board / bulletin board / [dry erase board](#)

[post-its & dispenser](#) for reminders (pin to bathroom mirror or door for quick notes)

A [poster collage](#) of recent events or loved ones

[Acrylic boxes](#) / jars to store trinkets and keepsakes he might be too old for, like figurines, collectable cards and random little bits he's not ready to part with yet

[Speakers](#) for [ipod](#) / mp3 player

Grown-up [duffle or suitcase](#)

Fun Shower Curtain like [Periodic Table](#) or [Map](#) or [Constellations](#)

Record albums for art (and [display frames](#))

Vinyl Decals ([star wars](#), [Harry Potter](#), [Calvin & Hobbes](#))

[Map](#) of [favorite place](#)

A framed print of their gaming Avatar