

What's in a Doctor's Bag?

Doctors have many tools and supplies that they use on a daily basis when they're helping their patients. This Labor Day, encourage your child to learn more about all of the different tools and supplies that can be found in a doctor's bag by having her create one of her own using construction paper. Her bag will open with Velcro to reveal a doctor's "tools of the trade" which she'll also create from construction paper.

What You Need:

- Construction paper
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Glue stick
- Metallic marker
- Velcro dots or a square inch piece



What You Do:

1. Help your child fold a sheet of black paper in half. Draw the shape of a doctor's bag on one side of the bag with the folded side at the bottom of the bag. With the paper still folded, have her cut along the lines.
2. Cut out and attach a paper handle to the top of the doctor's bag.
3. Encourage her to decorate the bag on the outside however she likes to indicate it is a bag for medical purposes, used by a doctor.
4. Help her make a list of tools and supplies that doctors may use on a daily basis to help treat sick patients. Some items may include: bandages, gauze, antiseptic, syringe and stethoscope. See if she can come up with a few items on her own to add to the list.
5. Have her write the name of the different tools and supplies on the inside of the bag using the metallic marker.
6. Ask her to draw out these items on construction paper and cut them out. They should be small enough to fit into the bag.
7. Unfold the doctors bag to open it. Have her glue all of the instruments on the inside of the bag.
8. Adhere the Velcro to the handles of the bag and close it up!
9. If she's up for it, quiz her on the different items she ended up putting in the bag. If she's having trouble remembering some of them, allow her to peek into her doctor bag.