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#### **BOX GIRLS**

Whether you celebrate Christmas or Hanukkah, grab a box and go! Gather up your friends and family, and cozy up with questions about the holiday. Bring the group closer together this holiday season and learn more about each other. **www.theboxgirls.com** (\$19.95).



## BOOM BOOM CARDS

Everyone has a story to share. Make a differ-

ence one card at a time. Gather the troops and settle down for a family night. Spread the kindness and tell your unique story to others around the globe online. Follow your card and bring about awareness within your family and to others.

www.boomboomcards.com (\$14.99).

#### LAUGH & LEARN<sup>TM</sup> LEARNING BASKETBALL

(6-36 months)
Give your little bundle of delight a Laugh & Learn TM Learning
Basketball game where they can have a hoop full



of fun discovering shapes, letters, numbers, and more! The game combines music and learning with 10+songs and tunes. Two basketballs are included, and the height of the game can be adjusted as well.

www.fisher-price.com (\$34.99).

## KID-TOUGH<sup>TM</sup> MUSIC

**PLAYER** (ages 3+)

Let your tot feel like a big kid, with their Kid-Tough Music Player from Fisher Price. Don't worry about your little rascal breaking it; the player's durable enough to withstand being dropped. Not only does the player come with built-in speakers, but also with a sing-along microphone, a black and white LCD screen, four hours of storable music, five sing along songs, TR and more!

#### **GUITAR HERO**

Bring the concert to your very home! Give your teen an outlet to express



his or her passion for rock with *Guitar Hero: Warriors of Rock*, loaded with a 90+ track set list, sure to have them jamming out to bands like Soundgarden, Queen, MUSE, and many more! Get the jam session started and find your game at GameStop, Amazon.com, Toys R Us, Best Buy, Target and Walmart (\$59.99).

## For Friends & Co-Workers!

#### **PRISTINE BEAUTY**

Is your hair in a desperate need of emergency care, every day of the week? Or you can't

seem to fizzle down that frizz? Treat your precious mane to a 100% natural Temptress Tote. Included you'll find a Locks of Fame Shampoo and Conditioner, as well as a No Scary Hairy Repair, Condition and Protect Hair Serum. Feed each strand with delicious natural ingredients, that won't strip away your oils, but will leave your hair screaming for joy!

www.shoppristinebeauty.com (\$60).

#### TEAGW

Drink your tea and sleep on it too! Say good-





bye to tossing and turning at night and have a restful and peaceful sleep with a tea pillow by TeaGW. Each pillow is infused with whole-leaf tea in soothing aromas of rose, lavender, jasmine, tie guan yin or green tea. Whether you're getting ready for a long flight or looking for a night of sound sleep, find your own tea full of peace with either a Travel Pillow or Green Tea Pillow.

www.teagw.com (\$40), (\$190).

#### **URBAN RITUELLE**

Give her a gift set packed with a petite parfum, a vegetable soap, and lip balm all in one! Choose from flavors of ginger apple, cotton candy, pomegranate,

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vanilla, or peach blossom, depending on the woman and her taste. Perfect for traveling and taking with you for trips! **www.rituelle.com** (\$25).

# Poetry

#### **TOGETHER**



No matter how rough things seem Or how difficult our challenges are I know we can make it, Because we stick Together.

Whenever life's problems become too tough I know I can turn to you for guidance.
And somehow,
We'll find a solution,
Together.

Sometimes our plans
Don't work out,
And everything doesn't go exactly right.
But we make the best of it,
Together.

Whenever you need me Know that I'm right by your side Ready for us to face the world, Together.

— And I wouldn't want it any other way. -Kelli Wilkins

#### <u>NANA'S CHRISTMAS</u>



On the white lace doily is Nana's red candy dish full of melt-away mints. It's always Nana's wish to fill our taste buds full of Christmas sweets. She dresses in red velvet with her pinafore apron,

as she greets her family, which she adores from the oldest aunt, down to the babies crawling on all fours. The ham baking in the oven with pineapple, each with a centered cherry, wafts through most of the house, while we toast and make merry. That's the picture I remember, from many, many years ago. I'm Nana now and my family drives here for Christmas. in rain or snow. and there are toddlers and babies galore. "Let's welcome Old Man Christmas to my family, whom I adore! Merry Christmas one and all, to my children and grandchildren large and small!"

-Judith M. Vance