

Collecting Equipment for a Christian Camp Counselor in Mexico

Objective: Working as a group, equip a counselor with items that encourage interaction with campers. Provide helpful activities for times of rain, hikes, waiting in dining hall line, campfire, rest period, skill development and teachable moments. A counselor and one assistant minister to five children from his/her church/neighborhood, ages 8-15. Please collect the items below for the counselor.

1. Counselor's Accessories

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1.1. directional compass (for map reading, orienteering) 1.2. blank 3x5 index cards (for Bible memory verses, encouragement notes) 1.3. marbles, pull string bag 1.4. travel alarm clock, battery 1.5. one battery LED flashlight (type AA), battery 1.6. give away items (rewards for campers) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) pens, markers, pencils... b) whistles, small trinkets c) tick-tacks, life-savers... 1.7. yo-yo 1.8. wire puzzle/brain teaser 1.9. Set (www.setgame.com) 1.10. dominoes, chess set 1.11. tweezers (high quality) 1.12. magnifying glass 1.13. glass prism 1.14. 2 magnets (recycled) 1.15. 40" (1 meter) of 3/16" - 1/4" nylon cord (or similar) for knot tying activity (8 pieces) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) heat ends so they are smaller than the cord 1.16. 50 ft 1/4" nylon rope (or like) 1.17. 50 ft 3/8" nylon rope (or like) 1.18. 100 ft white clothes line 1.19. digital camera (used, with | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> cables and batteries) 1.20. short/stubby candle 1.21. book of matches 1.22. digital wrist watch 1.23. spark plug-Champion RC12YC (for go-kart) 1.24. 3 sponge (foamy) balls (for slight-of-hand) 1.25. set of walk-y-talkies, batteries 1.26. pocket knife 1.27. soap bubbles (8 fl oz), wand 1.28. binoculars 1.29. 3 juggling balls 1.30. 3-ring notebook for half sheet paper (5 1/2" x 8 1/2") 1.31. half sheet clip board (5 1/2" x 8 1/2") 1.32. sticky note pad 1.33. color pencils 1.34. packet of dry yeast 1.35. box of small envelopes 1.36. foam clogs (any size-printing activity)* 1.37. 2 wooden mouse traps 1.38. roll of wax paper (for pressing flowers-nature hike) 1.39. ream of heavy color paper* 1.40. paper scissors (rounded tips) 1.41. combination lock 1.42. instrumental music CD (cultural, brass, classic...) |
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2. Sports & More Activities
 - 2.1. flying disk (Frisbee)
 - 2.2. softball, glove
 - 2.3. 3 tennis balls
 - 2.4. 3 golf balls
 - 2.5. football (deflate)
 - 2.6. needle to inflate balls
 - 2.7. hacky sack
 - 2.8. bicycle tire tube patches
 - 2.9. jump rope (medium to high quality)
 - 2.10. ping pong ball, paddle
 - 2.11. volleyball net (with steal cable)*
 - 2.12. carabiner
 - 2.13. wrist rocket (sling shot)
 - 2.14. 100 wire nuts 7/16" diameter (wingless, for blow gun)
 - 2.15. 2 small orange cones*
3. Eats & Snacks
 - 3.1. 8 soup spoons (cheap, low quality)
 - 3.2. serving spoon (low quality)
 - 3.3. pairing knife (medium quality)
 - 3.4. metal spatula (to flip pancakes)
 - 3.5. cutting board (small)
 - 3.6. long neck LP gas BBQ lighter
 - 3.7. roll of aluminum foil

- 3.8. Ziploc bags (sandwich size)
- 3.9. can of nuts
- 3.10. raisins/dried cranberries--fruit
- 3.11. large bag of M&Ms
- 3.12. 30 gallon garbage bags
- 3.13. campfire/dutch oven/cast iron grill recipes for 8 (email to david@rycca.org.mx) – hot drink, main dish, bread, dessert
- 3.14. abrasive cleaning pad
4. First Aid & Toiletry Dispensary (when the kids forget/run out)
 - 4.1. cotton balls
 - 4.2. antiseptic, alcohol (small bottle)
 - 4.3. small tube of toothpaste
 - 4.4. toothbrush
 - 4.5. small shampoo
 - 4.6. feminine pads
 - 4.7. body wash, shower gel
5. Handling
 - 5.1. fanny pack (to be used to hold smaller counselor's accessories for working with kids)
 - 5.2. day pack/knapsack* (medium/large – for hikes)
 - 5.3. athletic bag/duffel bag/gym bag (to hold all the items – ship collection in this bag)

* as space allows

The group of participants is challenged to collect 80% or better of the items (or close approximation). Coordinate the transportation of the items with Camps International. In most cases a **used item** in good condition is preferred to a new item. Recycling and garage sale shopping are encouraged. Additional materials are gladly accepted.

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