Second Grade

Gifts for a 7-Year-Old or 8-Year-Old

From toys that stand the test of time to board games that are anything but boring, we found the best second grade products for a seven-year-old or eight-year-old. Our list of loot is kid-tested, teacher approved, and full of options for any family, so get wrappin’!

Under $10

**Word Shout and Game Set** under $10

In this simple, fast-paced game, the first person to get fifty points by shouting out words formed by the dice is the winner!

http://www.education.com/gift-guide/item/word-shout/

**Crazy Cheese Puzzle** under $10

This simple and quirky twist on a basic puzzle is the perfect way to test your problem solving skills.

http://www.education.com/gift-guide/item/crazy-cheese-puzzle/

**Robo Champ** under $10

At its core, Robo Champ is a race to build a robot in a specific color before an opponent beats you to it.

http://www.education.com/gift-guide/item/robo-champ/

**Out of Control** under $10

Who says card games are boring? This one will help crank up the energy level on your next night in.

http://www.education.com/gift-guide/item/out-of-control/

**Bendaroos Animals Set** under $10

These kits are incredibly simple: they contain a bunch of colored sticks that kids can bend, twist, and sculpt into a range of whimsical shapes.

http://www.education.com/gift-guide/item/bendaroos-animals/
Do Art Travel Easel
Perfect for your amateur artist, this 34-piece portable art set truly takes multitasking to the next level.


Knot-a-Quilt
After completing this quick and easy craft project, your child will have a soft and colorful fleece blanket to cuddle up to.

http://www.education.com/gift-guide/item/knot-a-quilt/

Archery Set
Set up would-be heroes with this backyard-friendly target.

http://www.education.com/gift-guide/item/archery-set/

The Young Magician Magic Set
Based on a set of common illusions and tricks, the kit teaches kids how to make objects appear and disappear.


Minotaurus
Whether your child is a LEGO fanatic, or new to the charms of the little plastic building block, this game is virtually irresistible.

http://www.education.com/gift-guide/item/minotaurus/
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The Allowance Game
Like it or not, kids this age are somewhat obsessed with money, and especially with how to get it and how to spend it.

http://www.education.com/gift-guide/item/allowance-game/

Mia My Friendship Jacket
Let your budding fashionista create her own couture with the Mia My Friendship Jacket.


Splurge

Ice Cream Maker
With this machine in the kitchen, ice cream, frozen yogurt, and sorbet are only twenty minutes away!

http://www.education.com/gift-guide/item/ice-cream-maker/

Books

School! Adventures at the Harvey N. Trouble Elementary School
Underneath all the extreme silliness is a book full of word play, giving kids a chance to tease out the secrets and puns hidden in McCullan’s text. Great for reluctant readers!

http://www.education.com/gift-guide/item/school-adventures-harvey-n-trouble/

Dear Dumb Diary: The Worst Things in Life Are Also Free
Number 10 in the Dear Dumb Diary series, this book is an absolute pleasure to read, whether you’ve met Jamie before or not. Witty, pointed, and oh so clever, you’ll be turning page after page with a smile on your face.

http://www.education.com/gift-guide/item/dear-dumb-diary/
Guinea Pig Pet Shop Private Eye #1: Hamster and Cheese

This mini comic book rings in at just 48 pages, making it digestible enough for kids still struggling with longer chapter books, and accessible enough for reluctant readers.

http://www.education.com/gift-guide/item/guinea-pig-private-eye/