

# What is the Best Gift for a Girl

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You have a birthday party or some other gift-giving occasion to attend and the gift recipient is a girl. Worst still, she's a discerning girl and you have no idea what type of gift she would like. The best news is that there are gifts you can select for even the pickiest of girls. You don't have to break the bank and you may not even have to go to the mall.

## **Magazine Subscription**

Most girls like flipping through the latest magazines. You don't need to know a girl very well to know what interests her. Is she into fashion, celebrities, sports or computers? Get her a yearlong subscription and she'll think about you every month when the latest issue arrives. You will need to wrap something for the party, however. Find an issue of the magazine at the nearest newsstand and present it to her in a gift bag with a note attached announcing the coming subscription. Alternatively, if you are creative you can design a gift certificate on the computer using a word processing or presentation program like Word or PowerPoint.

## **Bracelet**

The best thing about bracelets is that one size fits all. Even girls who don't wear much jewelry may be comfortable wearing a bracelet. Bracelets are easy to put on and take off and they don't require much thought. Unlike earrings and necklaces, a bracelet does not draw attention to the face. So, a bracelet can be fun or serious, clunky or delicate, colorful or neutral without attracting too much notice. Bracelets can be layered, so even if one isn't right, she can wear it with other bracelets to get the look she would like.

## **Tights**

Girls who wear dresses or skirts love tights. It's a personal gift but not too intimate. All you need to know is her approximate height. Basic colors like black and brown are always welcome. You will also find many different textured tights such as stripes, floral patterns, or fishnet. Young girls and teens might enjoy crazy animal patterns or polka dots. Put several pair in a gift basket and tie a bright bow on top.

## **Stuffed Animals**

Girls of all ages love stuffed animals. Don't buy just any teddy bear, however. Find a furry friend with a distinctive personality. Let the animal be an extension of the girl. You can find a bear in a baseball uniform or a doctor's lab coat. In addition to toy stores, look for cute stuffed animals in baby stores, mall kiosks, gift shops—even your local bookstore may have a few. You might also consider dual-purpose stuffed animals such as those that hold pajamas or flatten into a cozy pillow.

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