



How to Build Your New Friend!

Now that you have received your Build A Friend Kit, make sure you have all of your supplies ready!

Your kit includes:

Animal Shell
Bag of Stuffing
Heart
Adoption Certificate

You will also need:

Scissors
Something to write with

Instructions:

You're all ready to get to stuffing! Here are a few simple instructions to make it as easy and fun as possible.

1. On the back of your animal shell, you will find an opening (you may have to pull apart the Velcro fastening if it is closed). This is where you are going to put in your stuffing! (There is a zip tie that you will use later to close up your animal!).
2. Get stuffing! This is the best part! Take the stuffing out of your bag, and put it inside your new friend. You get to choose how much stuffing to put in – if you want your friend to be soft and extra squishy, put a little less stuffing; if you would rather have a firmer and cuddlier friend, you can add more stuffing. (You don't need to use all of the stuffing). It's completely up to you! Your friend will be one of a kind.
3. Make a wish! Take the heart and hold it in your hands, close your eyes and make your special wish! Then put it into your animal with the stuffing. (It's up to you when you put the heart in, you can put it in anywhere!).



4. The Hug Test! Give your new friend a big hug and see if you like how stuffed it is. Make sure you got the stuffing into all of the arms and legs!



5. Close it up! When you are happy with the amount of stuffing, pull the zip tie tight to close up the inside of your new friend, and then cut off the excess. Then, you will close the Velcro. * There is a protective strip of fabric on one side of the Velcro, remove this for a more secure close. Then you can dress your new friend in their outfit if you chose one!



6. Almost done! Have you been thinking of a name for your animal? Now's the time to choose their name and fill out the adoption certificate.



7. That's it! You have a new best friend to hug and love!



8. Now that you're all finished, don't forget to post your photos and share your experience on our Facebook page!

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