

TWAM

Tools with a Mission

Gifts for the Journey



The **Tools with a Mission** alternative gifts catalogue
Gifts for the journey to livelihood creation

A way to put food on the table in Uganda

Meet a wonderful recipient of an Alternative Gift—Patricia.

Wherever you go in many African nations, from busy city street corners to quiet rural backwaters you will find a tailor with their sewing machine. The gift of a sewing machine will allow a newly trained tailor to work from their own home or market place and use the proceeds to keep a roof over their family's head, put food on the table and send their children to school.



Patricia is the daughter of a single mother, whose life was transformed by a sewing machine provided by TWAM. *“When my mother got sick, I didn’t have the opportunity to go to school and learn with the other children.”*

Patricia’s mother eventually passed away, leaving her an orphan. After being taken in by a local family she heard about Mindset - a Ugandan Skills Centre and partners of Tools with a Mission. *“The sewing machine provided by TWAM means I can now support my family. I specialise in bags and have dreams of studying at university!”*

This is the amazing life changing impact of Gifts for the Journey as they create livelihoods and give hope to individuals, families and entire communities.

Gifts for the Journey

An amazing way to help one person and their family break free of poverty.

1 Choose your gift

Throughout this Alternative Gift catalogue you will find a huge variety of tool kits. Their cost varies depending on their size, the cost of purchasing any new tools to complete the kits and the complexity of refurbishing and assembling the kits.

2 Choose your card

Choose your card from the designs below or opt for 'none' if you do not need one.

3 Complete the order form

Complete the order form on the back page or complete your purchase online through our website: twam.uk/giftsforthejourney or ring us 01473 210220 to pay by **credit or debit card**

Three beautiful gift cards to choose from

Cards are left blank inside for you to add your own message

Design
One



Design
Two



Design
Three



4 We'll send you a card personalised with your gift

When we receive your order we will send you a card describing the gift you have bought. You can then give this to the person you are buying the gift for. If you do not want a card you can tell us on the order form.

£25 A Sewing Machine

Everybody needs clothes, which makes tailoring the journey of choice for many seeking a way out of poverty. Wherever you go in Africa, from busy city street corners to quiet rural backwaters you will find a tailor with their sewing machine. The gift of a sewing machine will allow a newly trained tailor to work from their own home or market place and use the proceeds to keep a roof over their family's head, put food on the table and send their children to school.



£10

A Sewing Kit

A sewing kit is supplied with every sewing machine and includes everything the newly trained tailor needs to get their small business off the ground.

£35 A Knitting Machine

A skilled knitter can make an entire jumper in under an hour. The journey to employment for most knitters is to secure a contract from a local school to make children's knitted uniforms. Wool is plentiful so this is a stable, regular way to earn a living. A knitting machine will provide one family with a living and is a wonderful gift.

£8 A Hand Knitting Kit

Containing needles, wool, patterns and everything needed for hand knitting and sewing together jumpers. An essential kit for all knitters!

£35 A Computer Kit

Young people dreaming of work in an office must be able to use a computer, but very few will have access to one. It is not unusual for schools to teach computing using pictures on the blackboard.

£40

A Carpenter's Kit

Carpenters are always in high demand. They make the trusses to hold up the roof, the windows and doors to make the building weatherproof. Then they make the furniture that turns it into a home. Overall, a very comprehensive service! A carpenter's tool kit contains all the hand tools needed for one person to start a small business from scratch. Many of their tools will last a lifetime. The carpentry kit is our most popular tool kit.



£240

A Carpentry Workshop Kit

The workshop kit may be used to equip the skills centre that trains the carpenters, or used to equip a workshop providing employment for several newly trained carpenters. Some of the workshops are started by churches and schools to provide funds to run the schools and local community projects. There are entire schools of over 500 pupils completely funded by the proceeds of items made in carpentry workshops. Therefore the gift of a workshop kit can have a huge impact on a community.

Gifts for the journey... transforming lives one at a time

Meet three ambitious trainee carpenters from Zambia.



Vincent says:

“My father died this year, so I was having problems. My mother didn't have any money to support me. I had no work and nothing to do and was joining the men who are drinkers. Then Mr Shabula the trainer found me and said, 'Is this what you want to do with your life? You can come and join us and learn carpentry.' ”



Emson says:

“The teacher told me about the course. I chose carpentry because it is a job I liked. Having a school certificate does not help at all in finding work. Schools' do not teach practical skills and where we live there are no office jobs.

My plan when I finish is that I will become a carpenter. This will be no challenge for me now.”



Tembo says:

“My friends in the carpentry workshop told me about the course. I am a school drop out because my parents could not afford fees. I want to do carpentry right now while I have no work, but I am saving up so I can go back to school. Then I want to study medicine. Carpentry will help me pay for my medical training to become a doctor.”

£35 A Mechanic's Kit

Motor mechanics is a great job for a young person but most potential employers do not provide the tools needed. However, for a young person starting out, finding the tools they need is hard enough, but paying for them is completely impossible.

The mechanic's tool kit comes in two boxes and provides the vast array of tools needed by a mechanic. Everything from spanners and wrenches to oil cans and tyre levers. A great gift of tools that will last a lifetime.



£110 A Garage Workshop Kit

The garage workshop kit adds to the standard mechanic's kit the larger items required to equip a whole workshop. This large kit includes wheel ramps, axle stands, a battery charger and various tools required by a busy workshop with several mechanics.

£45

A Builder's Kit

Builder's kits are used to equip the workshop and eventually be given out to the students when they qualify.

A truly amazing gift for an African charity and for the students starting their journey to community and personal transformation.



£25

An Electrician's Kit

An electrician's kit provides all the tools needed to safely install and maintain electrical wiring and sockets. The kit contains specialist electrical screwdrivers and circuit testers. It also includes basic electrical fittings to get the newly trained electrician started in their new job.

£20

A Plumber's Kit

Plumbing is becoming ever more important across Africa as toilets and bathrooms become common place in the home. Thankfully, with good plumbing installation comes clean water and healthier families. Not only will this kit benefit the newly trained plumber but the health of every family who benefits from their work.

£20 An Agricultural Kit

In rural communities it is still the norm for families to grow their own food. Good tools can make the difference between a bumper crop with food on the table, and a failed crop and starvation. The tools we might use on the allotment and digging the garden are the tools they use for tending their vegetable plots.

The agricultural kit includes a spade, fork, rake, hoe, cultivator and other tools needed to prepare the soil, sow the seeds and maintain the plants to produce a



£25 A Ground-worker's Kit

The ground-worker's kit adds to the agricultural kit, pick axes and the heavy duty tools needed to prepare uncultivated land. The kit can also be used for digging foundations and laying drains. A popular multi-purpose kit.

Simakanda's Story “I want to use my skills to teach youngsters”

Simakanda has been learning carpentry with one of TWAM's long term partners, Collins, who runs a workshop in Zambia to train young people. He also uses the profits from furniture they make to fund a local orphanage.

Simakanda is one of the students he identified. It's easy to see why, as he tells us: ***“I am studying at university to become a teacher as it is so important to give children an education.***



My parents do not work, so I know how hard it is to keep going to school and how important an education is. For me, the challenge was always to stay at school and not become a drop out. If you drop out of school, it is very hard to get a good job.

This is why I approached Collins and asked if he would teach me carpentry. This skill will help me pay my fees, as I will work very hard making furniture I can sell.

Simakanda has learned the hard way how difficult it is to complete an education and improve your life. Thankfully he has decided to use these tough experiences to encourage others. He continues:

“Many do not complete their schooling and if I teach them carpentry, this will give them a chance. I must help others who are struggling like me.”

This is another amazing example of TWAM tools supporting students like Simakanda to learn a life-changing skill. Simakanda is a great example as his heart is to go on to use his new skills to train others, and when, thanks to his skills, he completes his teaching he can then go on to serve in a school - educating the poorest children.

If supporting youngsters like Simakanda makes sense to you, we would love you to support Tools with a Mission by purchasing an Alternative Gift.

Thank you for helping make livelihood creation possible around the world!

Gifts for the Journey **Order Form**

Qty	Card Design (circle)	Cost	Description	Total Cost	
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	1 2 3	None	£25	Sewing Machine	£
	1 2 3	None	£10	Sewing Kit	£
	1 2 3	None	£35	Knitting Machine	£
	1 2 3	None	£8	Hand Knitting Kit	£
	1 2 3	None	£35	Computer Kit	£
	1 2 3	None	£40	Carpenter's Kit	£
	1 2 3	None	£240	Carpentry Workshop Kit	£
	1 2 3	None	£35	Mechanic's Kit	£
	1 2 3	None	£110	Garage Workshop Kit	£
	1 2 3	None	£45	Builder's Kit	£
	1 2 3	None	£25	Electrician's Kit	£
	1 2 3	None	£20	Plumber's Kit	£
	1 2 3	None	£20	Agricultural Kit	£
	1 2 3	None	£25	Ground-worker's Kit	£

Please accept my gift of £_____ (Cheques payable to Tools with a Mission)

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Signature _____ Date: _____

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Please complete the order form overleaf

Your details

Name: _____

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We'd love to stay in touch

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