

DEVIN CO.

The Tiny Toy Collection



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Instructions:

After inserting
your coins, you
turn the
wheel

Warning:

Remember to turn
the wheel in the
right direction,
not left!

\$2.00

Warning:

Make sure to take
out your prize
carefully



"Gashapon" is a Japanese onomatopoeia composed of two sounds: "gasha" (or "gacha") for the sound of a crank on a toy vending machine, and "pon" for the sound of the toy capsule dropping into the receptacle. Gashapon can describe both the machines themselves and the toys obtained from them. In America, we also have toy vending machines with little knick-knacks in plastic capsules. I have many of these toys in my collection.

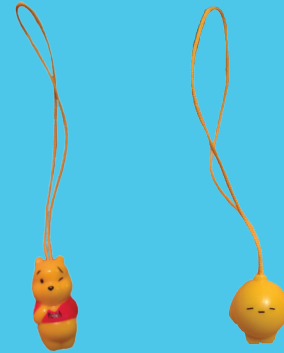
Oh boy! Let me introduce myself. I'm a keychain that was bought in Disney World at Downtown Disney. I cost around \$2.00, and since I am made of rubber, my arms are also adjustable! How neat!



By the way, I'm Minnie and he's Mickey. We are original Disney characters, and we have classic designs. This is why we have vintage or old decals, despite being made of rubber. You can say that we are classy keychains.



Before



These tiny little toys are from an Hmart (or Korean supermarket) near my house. One is Winnie-the-Pooh, and the other is an egg character. This is them without their costumes, and they cost \$2.00 each.

After



After putting on their costumes, they are even more adorable! Pooh has turned into a piggy, while the egg has turned into a mighty dragon! These costumes are made of rubber and very flexible!

KARASUNO CROWS



These mini figurine key chains are from little capsules, which come from vending machines. The toys inside are also random, and they are usually a part of a specific set. These are tiny plastic

crow key chains. They all connect with one another, and each crow represents a different character from an animated series called Haikyuu! I bought these capsule toys as a set online for \$20.00 US dollars. From the left, we have Tanaka, Daichi, Noya, Tadashi, Kageyama,

Hinata, Tsukishima, Asahi, and Suga. They are actually volleyball players in the show, but they are in crow-form because their high school is called "Karasuno" which comes from the word Crow. Crows are also their team mascot.



There is also a very funny story regarding these crows. I went to convention called Comic-Con, and I bought one (Daichi) from a vendor. Then, I found out that I could buy it online. I went online, but it was completely sold out. My good friend apparently bought the

last set. She laughed at me for not buying them quick enough, and that there were two sets left when she was buying them. Later that day, she messaged me online, saying that she knows who bought

the other set. I asked her if it was one of our friends, and instead, she laughs that she accidentally bought two sets instead of one. She thus got the crows, and I bought the other set from her. It was a struggle to get them, but I sincerely adore them.

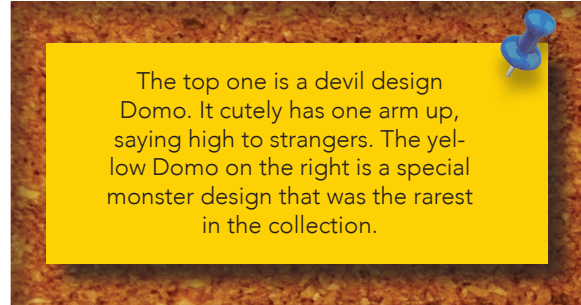
This toy is the best toy in my collection. It is a Pokeball from Pokemon, and I got it at Lotte World (an amusement park in Korea). It cost around \$3.00 US dollars, and it came from a machine located on the line of a ride.



The best part of this toy is that it has a button on the top, making light come out of the center. How cool is that? Not only does it shoot out light, it also projects an image of a Pokemon. This Pokeball projects a Reshiram.



So these characters are called Domo. It is a Japanese character, and it is very popular. I got all these toys from, again, the Hmart near my house. They are very small, so they are around \$0.50.



The top one is a devil design Domo. It cutely has one arm up, saying high to strangers. The yellow Domo on the right is a special monster design that was the rarest in the collection.



This last one is my personal favorite Domo. It is an adorable moustache Domo that really reminds me of myself. It is more playful with a moustache.

