

# YOUR DOLLHOUSE DECISION CHECKLIST

*Take this checklist with you as you browse online, or visit shops. This is more than a checklist – it's a way to think through how this gift fits into the beautiful relationship you're building with your grandchild. Take your time, trust your instincts, and know that whatever you choose with love will be received with joy.*

## *Location & Logistics*

- Where will it live? My house / Their house
- If going to their house: Have I checked with the parents?
- Do I know the available space? (\_\_\_ x \_\_\_)
- Who will assemble it? Me / Parents / Arrives ready to play

## *Understanding Your Grandchild*

- What does my grandchild love? (vehicles, animals, dolls, action figures, recreating real life)
- How old are they, and how long might this be played with?
- Do they have toys/figures this needs to work with?
- What would make their eyes light up?

## *Connection & Involvement*

- Is this a one-time gift or something I can add to over time?
- Do I want to be involved in how they play with it?
- Could we create or build things for it together?
- If I live far away: Could this help our video call conversations?
- Are there opportunities for me to contribute additions later?

## *Practical Considerations*

- My budget: \_\_\_
- Can I start smaller and add modules later?
- Is it safe for my grandchild's age?
- Weight: Can it be moved if needed?
- Storage: Can it be stored when not in use?

## *Quality & Longevity*

- Material preference: Wood / Plastic / Other
- Is it sturdy enough to last years?
- Is the design open-ended (not too themed)?
- Can it be personalised or changed over time?
- Will it grow with my grandchild's interests?
- Is it modular (can it be added to)?

## *The Heart Check*

- Does this feel right for my grandchild?
- Will this support the kind of play they love?
- Can I picture us enjoying this together?
- Does this fit my role in their life? Am I excited to give this?