

8 Weeks to a Frazzle Free Christmas

Requires 15 -
20 minutes a
day

WEEK 1 CHECKLIST

October 17 - 23

- Print off or save 8 week Plan ebook & printables; Place in 3-ring binder
- Update family calendar activities through end of year
- Make & finalize Thanksgiving plans
- Begin gift list with names of people you need to buy for
- Begin buy list (i.e. Wrapping Paper, Cards, Tape, etc)
- Set spending budget
- Discuss as a family, activities & traditions for this year's Christmas
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WEEK 2 CHECKLIST

October 24 - 30

- Make a list of Nov. & Dec. appointments and parties
- Schedule all appointments and babysitters. Update family calendar.
- Plan and purchase outfits for Christmas photo's
- Begin adding gift ideas to gift lists
- Begin Christmas card list
- Continue to add supplies to buy list
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WEEK 3 CHECKLIST

October 31 – November 6

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- Buy Christmas Cards, stamps, stationery, and labels
- Continue adding ideas to gift list
- Begin discussing Christmas plans with extended family
- Finalize Christmas menu & add ingredients to buy list
- Take & order any photos you need for Christmas cards
- Take a QUICK inventory of decorations; Add items needed to buy list
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WEEK 4 CHECKLIST

November 7 - 13

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- Finish gift list
- Pre-make or bake one item off your Christmas menu and freeze or store
- Write & print family letter for Christmas cards
- Sign & address 1/3 of your Christmas cards
- Schedule designated shopping days on work & family calendar
- Buy at least 3 non-meal items off of buy list
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WEEK 5 CHECKLIST

November 14 – 20

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- Sign & address 1/3 of your Christmas cards
- Begin online gift shopping
- Buy 5 items off of buy list; Place priority on items for outside decorating
- Pre-make or bake one item off your Christmas menu & freeze or store
- Put up outside decorations; Wait to light until after Thanksgiving
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WEEK 6 CHECKLIST

November 21 - 27

Requires 15 -
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- Sign & address remaining Christmas cards
- Pre-make or bake one item off your Christmas menu & freeze or store
- Buy 5 items off of buy list
- Finish online shopping
- Put up indoor decorations
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WEEK 7 CHECKLIST

November 28 – December 4

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- Finish ALL buy list shopping (excluding perishable food items)
- Begin wrapping presents; Place priority on presents needing mailed
- Mail Christmas cards
- Finish all gift shopping
- Pre-make or bake one item off your Christmas menu & freeze or store
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WEEK 8 CHECKLIST

December 5 – December 11

Requires 15 -
20 minutes a
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- Wrap remaining presents
- Mail any gifts that need shipped
- Make grocery list for perishable food items on Christmas menu
- Finish any grocery shopping for any non-perishable food items
- Pre-make or bake one item off your Christmas menu & freeze or store
- Tie up any loose ends
- Enjoy your Christmas! YOU ARE DONE!!
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THINGS TO BUY

Supplies	Decorations	Groceries/Food
<input type="checkbox"/> Cards	<input type="checkbox"/> Outside Lights	<input type="checkbox"/> Egg Nog
<input type="checkbox"/> Stamps	<input type="checkbox"/> Candles	<input type="checkbox"/> Pies
<input type="checkbox"/> Mailing Labels	<input type="checkbox"/> Ornament Hooks	<input type="checkbox"/> Turkey/Roast
<input type="checkbox"/> Stationery	<input type="checkbox"/> Tree	<input type="checkbox"/> Potatoes
<input type="checkbox"/> Ribbons	<input type="checkbox"/> Garland	<input type="checkbox"/> Butter
<input type="checkbox"/> Bows	<input type="checkbox"/> Tinsel	<input type="checkbox"/> Gravy
<input type="checkbox"/> Wrapping Paper	<input type="checkbox"/> Ornaments	<input type="checkbox"/> Hot Chocolate
<input type="checkbox"/> Tape	<input type="checkbox"/> Stockings	<input type="checkbox"/> Coffee
<input type="checkbox"/> Boxes	<input type="checkbox"/> Tree Lights	<input type="checkbox"/> Cookies
<input type="checkbox"/> Gift Tags	<input type="checkbox"/> Table Centerpiece	<input type="checkbox"/> Pie Dough
<input type="checkbox"/> Napkins	<input type="checkbox"/> Poinsettias	<input type="checkbox"/> Pop
<input type="checkbox"/> Paper Plates	<input type="checkbox"/> Wreath	<input type="checkbox"/> Wine/Beer
<input type="checkbox"/> Plastic Silverware	<input type="checkbox"/> Tree Skirt	<input type="checkbox"/> Cheese
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<input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Napkins	<input type="checkbox"/> Sugar
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SHOPPING LIST

Gift Lists for People Receiving Multiple Gifts

(I.e. children, spouses, parents)

Name:

Budget:

Gift	Amount Spent	Where to Buy	Does it need Shipped?

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SHOPPING LIST

Gift Lists for People Receiving Single Gifts

(I.e. friends, co-workers, siblings)

Name	Gift	Budget	Amount Spent	Where to Buy	Does it Need Shipped?

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BUY LIST

(I.e. wrapping paper, Christmas cards, decorations)

Item	Where Buy?	By When?	Notes	✓

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HOLIDAY MENUS

Thanksgiving Day	
	Notes
Breakfast:	
Lunch:	
Dinner:	
Appetizers:	
Beverages:	

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HOLIDAY MENUS

Christmas Eve	
	Notes
Breakfast:	
Lunch:	
Dinner:	
Appetizers:	
Beverages:	

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HOLIDAY MENUS

Christmas Day	
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Breakfast:	
Lunch:	
Dinner:	
Appetizers:	
Beverages:	

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HOLIDAY MENUS

Family Get Togethers/Parties	
	Notes
Breakfast:	
Lunch:	
Dinner:	
Appetizers:	
Beverages:	

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TRADITIONS & ACTIVITIES

Family Activity/Tradition	Date	Need Reservations? (Yes/No)	On Calendar? ✓

Supplies (Be Sure to Add to Buy List)

Notes

Family Activity/Tradition	Date	Need Reservations? (Yes/No)	On Calendar? ✓

Supplies (Be Sure to Add to Buy List)

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NOTES FOR 2012

Print off a new Buy List Checklist and check off any items you know you will need for 2012 along with any notes you want to keep below. Keep the list and notes in your Frazzle Free binder or [family organizer](#).

What Worked Well?

What Should Be Changed?

Things to Do or Try Next Year

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RESOURCES

Families with Purpose

Frazzle Free Christmas - <http://www.familieswithpurpose.com/frazzle-free-christmas.html>

Family Gift Shop - <http://www.familieswithpurpose.com/family-gift-shop.html>

Christmas Traditions, Rituals, and Activities - <http://www.familieswithpurpose.com/christmas.html>

Family Thanksgiving Ideas - <http://www.familieswithpurpose.com/thanksgiving.html>

Wishpot.com – Online gift list

Elfster.com – Online secret Santa exchange

SendOutCards.com – Greeting card service

ZooLert.com – Find those hard to find toys

BFAds.net – Keeps track of all Black Friday deals

NorthPole.com – Letters to Santa, activities, and recipes

USPS.com – Ship packages, order stamps from your home