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Part 1: For Her/For Him — Shopping for your Spouse

The most challenging parts of Christmas shopping can be shopping for husbands AND providing husbands with ideas to shop for us!

So here you go ladies, not only do I have ideas for what to buy your hubby from [T.J. Maxx](#) and [Marshalls](#), I have ideas (actual photos I took!) for you to add to YOUR list!

For Her (or You!)

1. Jewelry

A woman always wants to play dress up, right?



Lucy & Laurel Necklace \$49.99 at T.J. Maxx



L-R Swarovski Crystal Ball Necklace \$129.99, Lucy & Laurel Necklace \$29.99, Fashion Ring \$29.99

What I love about the fabulous jewelry I found at T.J. Maxx is that while they have high end pieces, they also have affordable gold and silver items, and fun fashion jewelry — so there are all different budget options.

I just wanted to buy so many pieces... especially the bracelets below. Love them.



R.J. Graziano Bracelets \$19.99, \$39.99 at T.J. Maxx

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2. Watches

With mobile phones keeping us on time, watches may seem less essential these days. But that doesn't mean they don't make fun fashion statements!

This incredible Ceramic Swiss Legend Ladies Watch covered with Diamonds is completely out of my price range, but it was oh so fun (and heavy!) to try on! If



Swiss Legend White Diamond Ceramic Ladies Watch \$999.99 at T.J. Maxx

your hubby is able to make such a splurge on you, make sure he does it at T.J. Maxx – he will save up to a thousand dollars!



DKNY Watch \$49.99, Peugeot SWISS Ladies Black Ceramic Watch \$299.99 at T.J. Maxx

But no worries. T.J. Maxx has tons of more affordable but still stunning watches, ranging from \$49.99 and up. I particularly loved this two-tone DKNY watch and this Peugeot SWISS Ladies Black Ceramic Bezel Set Watch.

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3. Boots, Shoes, and High Heels

Mama needs a new pair of heels baby!



Etienne Aigner Ankle Boots \$34.99 at TJ Maxx

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3. Boots, Shoes, and High Heels (Continued)

When it comes to footwear, if you have a Marshalls store that features a ShoeMegaShop you will be in shoe paradise. I have to cross a border and drive over



Nine West Heels \$39.99, Etienne Aigner Boots \$39.99 at T.J. Maxx

60 miles to get to a Marshalls and it is MORE than worth it! They have fabulous shoes for everyone in the family. Yes, I am obsessed. range, but it was oh so fun (and heavy!) to try on! If your hubby is able to make such a splurge on you, make sure he does it at [T.J. Maxx](#) have will save up to a thousand dollars!



Born Boots \$129.99 at Marshalls, Impo Boots \$34.99 at Marshalls, B Makowsky \$129.99 at T.J. Maxx

Boots — I wish I could own a dozen different pairs...

If size or fit is holding you back from adding footwear to your list, just tell hubby your size and if they don't fit, you have 30 days to return or exchange! (With receipt. Christmas gifts without receipts can be returned until January 3rd.)

4. Hand Bages & Purses

Not only do you want to head straight to Marshalls for footwear for the family, but Marshalls is where you want to buy your handbags ladies! Fabulous purses and fabulous prices!



Tyler Rodan \$39.99, Kathy van Zeeland \$39.99, Tyler Rodan \$34.99 at Marshalls



Nine West Handbag \$39.99 at Marshalls

And if your hubby happens to choose a purse that isn't perfect for your wardrobe, no worries. You can return it and have fun choosing just the right one yourself!

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5. Scarves, Sweaters, and Gloves

It is time to get cozy! Hubby can't go wrong wrapping you up in warmth. I just love cashmere — who doesn't? So getting cashmere scarves and sweaters for such great prices is fantastic! I was in such a hurry taking the photos for this guide I didn't have time to shop, but I did grab a pair of these super soft Thinsulate gloves. So incredibly comfy!



Assorted Cashmere Scarves \$29.99 at T.J. Maxx



Thinsulate Gloves \$12.99, Assorted Scarves \$9.99-\$19.99 at T.J. Maxx, Cashmere Sweaters \$39.99 at Marshalls

Wow — that was so much fun! I hope my photos gave you some inspiration to share with your husband and add to your personal list. And if there are other women in your life on your list, perhaps some of these ideas will be perfect for them too.

Now, let's get started on what to buy for the man in your life...

For Him

1. Watches

I love shopping for men's watches — even if it is just window shopping.



Wenger Swiss Men's Watch \$99.99 at T.J. Maxx



Movado Mens Watch \$399.99 at T.J. Maxx

The classic style of this Movado Mens Watch is stunning. And I know my husband would love this Wenger Swiss Army Watch.

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For Him 2. Coats, Hats, Scarves

Men need to stay warm too during the long winter months. So you can also wrap up some warmth for him!

It may be imitation leather, but it felt fabulous! I couldn't believe this coat was only \$39.99, (compare to retail price of \$80.00.) If they had had it in my husband's size, I would have bought it for sure.



Columbia Sportswear Imitation Leather Jacket \$39.99 at T.J. Maxx



Polo Sweater \$49.99 at Marshalls, Bula Hat \$5.99, Assorted Mens' Scarves \$7.99-\$29.99 at T.J. Maxx

I found great outerwear, clothing and winter accessories for men at [Marshalls](#). Marshalls has a broad men's selection. So, if you are looking for men's clothing, Marshalls is a great place to go.

For Him 3. Ties, Wallets, Belts

And we won't forget those classic stocking stuffer gifts — the ties, wallets, belts, etc. With such affordable prices, you can wrap up all of these and have lots of gifts for hubby to open on Christmas morning.



Perry Ellis Wallet \$9.99 at T.J. Maxx, Kenneth Cole Belt \$12.99 at Marshalls



Geoffrey Beene Silk Tie \$19.99 at T.J. Maxx

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For Him 4. Tools & Toys

Men are just bigger boys and yes, they still love their toys. So, I love to pick up tools and toys for my grown up boy at [T.J. Maxx](#) and [Marshalls](#).



Assorted Tools at T.J. Maxx



Club Champ Putt 'n Return \$19.99, Assorted gadgets at TJ Maxx

For Him 5. Electronics and Accessories

Headphones, chargers, razors, the list goes on... T.J. Maxx and Marshalls have a huge collection of items that will always come in handy!



Nike Headphones \$12.99, Norelco Electric Razor \$99.99, iPhone Charger \$7.99 at Marshalls

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From Birth to All Grown Up, [T.J. Maxx](#) and [Marshalls](#) have definitely got your Christmas shopping for kids covered!

Babies and Toddlers

Who can resist shopping for babies and toddlers. The cuteness factor is dangerous! Thank goodness people keep having babies, so we can keep buying these cute little items.

1. Blankets, Bags, and Baby Books

Before baby even arrives on the scene, Mommies are dreaming of the cuddly blankets and cute diaper bags.



Kyle & Deena Baby Blanket \$9.99 at T.J. Maxx



Baby Blankets \$7.99 and Paul Frank Diaper Bag \$39.99 at T.J. Maxx

So whether you are shopping for a not-yet-born, a newborn, or a baby, every mother will LOVE these gifts under the tree!

This cute baby photo album caught my eye. A perfect pink cover and room for 180 photos on acid-free pages for \$9.99. Can't go wrong.



Tender Kisses Baby Photo Album \$9.99 at T.J. Maxx

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2. From Head to Toe

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When Olivia and Jackson were babies and toddlers, I dressed them from head to toe in hats, clothes, socks and shoes from Winners, (the Canadian sister store for T.J. Maxx and Marshalls.)

I loved that I could get everything I needed, in fabulous designer styles and labels but discount prices, all under one roof. With a Winners five minutes from my house, it was almost the only store I entered for years!



Absorba Baby Shoes \$5.00 at T.J. Maxx



Absorba Baby Shoes \$5.00 at T.J. Maxx

With the cost of raising kids, every parent appreciates receiving clothing for their kids as gifts! You will find so many adorable pieces it will be hard to stop from buying a year's worth of clothes!

3. StoryTime

Babies may be too young to read, but they certainly aren't too young for books! At every stage of life, reading books, and building a small library of favorite books, is so important for children.

I always pick up books at The TJX Companies stores. I love the fantastic discounts on brands like Scholastic. I barely ever leave without buying some new books for my kids.



Assorted Children's Books at Marshalls

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4. PlayTime

Baby needs to PLAY!

I LOVE this fun Infantino Surfboard Tummy Time Mat at T.J. Maxx — and it is only \$16.99! Spending time strengthening their muscles is critical for baby's development, so an engaging Tummy Time mat is a perfect gift for an infant!



Infantino Surfboard Tummy Time Mat
\$16.99 at T.J. Maxx



Foam Wood Blocks \$16.99 and Oversized Plush Bear at t.J. Maxx

My in-laws gave us these Foam Blocks as a gift years ago and my kids (and I) love them! They are foam, but look like wood blocks. Perfect for building and knocking down, these are a hit! And of course, every nursery needs to be equipped with soft, snuggable stuffed animals! I love this sweet oversized bear.



Polo Vests \$19.99 and Sweaters \$24.99 at T.J. Maxx



Christmas Dresses \$24.99 and Coats \$19.99 at T.J. Maxx

When I shop for preschoolers, as much as I love to buy them clothes, I spend a ton of time in the toy aisle!

But before we get to the toys, lets cover a few of the more practical gift giving options for preschoolers.

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Preschoolers (Continued)

Under the tree or in their stockings, don't forget some new socks or slippers.



Capelli New York Kids \$7.99 at T.J. Maxx



Stride Rite Socks \$6.99-\$9.99, MukLuks \$12.99 at T.J. Maxx

Now to the TOYS 2. For the Girls

My three year old daughter and my nieces are completely enamoured with Tinkerbell and her fairy friends. Anything fairy-related is a sure thing!



Disney Rosetta & Friends and Assorted Tinkerbell Dolls and Accessories at Marshalls



Pink Leotard with Tutu Skirt, Disney Hairdressing Set, \$12.99 at Marshalls

Whether they are twirling around the room in their ballet clothes or twirling each other's hair as they play "hairdresser," Olivia and her cousins love everything "girly!" These gifts will be hits with girly girls like my Olivia.

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2. For the Girls

Dolls big or small — my Livvie loves them all!



Strawberry Shortcake \$3.00 at Marshalls, Baby Emma Doll \$12.99 at T.J. Maxx

3. For the Boys



Tonka Chuck \$24.99 at T.J. Maxx

Little boys and their trucks! Jackson's favorite thing to do with his trucks was to crash them together so I always appreciated the sturdiness of Tonka.

Thomas the Train can be a big investment for a family. So finding sets at discount prices is such a treat! Both of my kids enjoy this noisy pre-historic line from Playschool. It is definitely not only for boys — Livvie loves them!



Tonka Chuck \$24.99 at T.J. Maxx



Playmobil Circus \$49.99 at Marshalls

One of the best toy lines to buy at [T.J. Maxx](#) and [Marshalls](#) is Playmobil. Like Thomas the Train, they are expensive, high quality toys. So finding them at low prices is fantastic!

I included this set in the boys section, but it is definitely not only for boys! Susan and I loved Playmobil right through our grade school years.

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4. Just Plain Fun

Boys and Girls will love these toys! This Vtech V.Smile TV Learning System at Marshalls is a great deal at \$29.99!



Vtech - V.Smile TV Learning System \$29.99 at Marshalls



Tweety Ball and Bat Set \$7.99, Assorted Sesame Street Sippy Cups, Vtech Kidilook Photo Frame \$9.99 at T.J. Maxx

Here are some fabulous stocking stuffers for preschoolers. I love this soft baseball set for little ones and what kid couldn't use more sippy cups! I thought this Kidilook Photo Frame for children is a brilliant idea. I should have bought one for Olivia!

And last but definitely NOT least, BOOKS! Never let a Christmas go by without some new books to read.



Assorted Books at T.J. Maxx



Fur Real's Zamboni the Baby Elephant \$19.99 at Marshalls

Grade School

First off, I had to show you this wonderful toy from Fur Real. Zamboni the Baby Elephant is part of the interactive, super popular line of toys from Fur Real. But what makes it unique is that 50% of its net profits go to Hasbro's Project Zamboni fund. There is even a bracelet for kids to wear and show their support for kids in Africa. The artwork on the bracelet and on the elephant's ears was created by kids in Africa for kids around the world.

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Grade School
1. Girls Stuff

Speaking of Fur Real, both Marshalls and [T.J. Maxx](#) have a great selection of these fun stuffed animals. I especially love the cuddly Panda.



Fur Real LuvCub Panda \$24.99 at Marshalls and T.J. Maxx



Assorted Disney Stationery Sets, Tinkerbell Bag \$6.99 at Marshalls

I remember the thrill of stationery sets when I was a little girl — the tiny notebooks and matching pencils. I never grew tired of them and I always needed more! Pairing this Tinkerbell Stationery Set with this sweet Tinkerbell Bag is a perfect combination for the girl on your list!

Kids love erasers! I remember collecting them too. These are some fun stocking stuffers for sure!



Fun Eraser Set and Stamp & Sticker Set \$3.99 at Marshalls



Color Splitz \$7.99 at T.J. Maxx and Manicure Kit \$7.99 at Marshalls

Coloring paper, coloring their nails... it is all tons of fun! Here are a couple affordable gifts to add to stockings or under the tree.

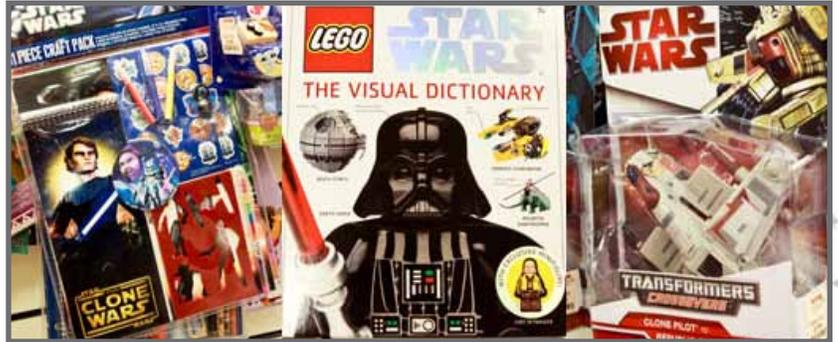
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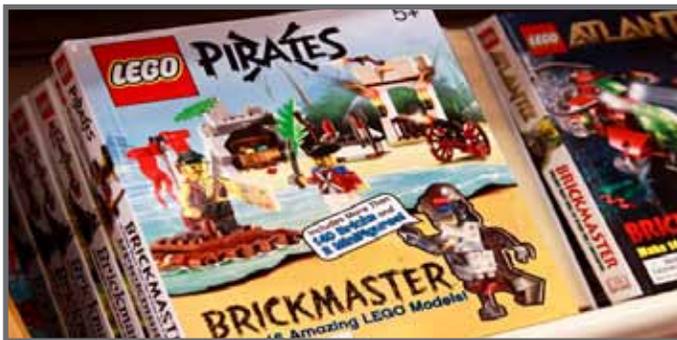
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Grade School
2. Boys Toys
 Two words for you
 Star Wars



Star Wars Craft Pack \$7.99, Lego Star Wars Visual Dictionary \$14.99, Star Wars Transformers \$7.99 at T.J. Maxx

Since Jackson was three years old, he has been obsessed with Star Wars, (even long before we let him watch any of the movies!) If it has to do with Star Wars, my son will love it. (I bought him the Lego Star Wars Visual Dictionary below. Don't tell him!)



Lego Pirates Brickmaster \$16.99 at Marshalls

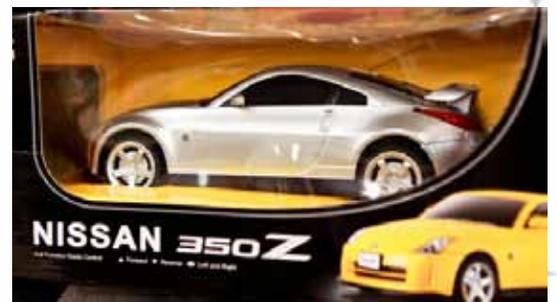
When I was a kid Lego was pretty basic. And oh we loved it. Susan and I played with our big brother's Lego for years! Nowadays, almost everything seems to come in a Lego version. There are so many great sets I would like to get for my kids, so I love when I find sets for discount prices! Ben 10, Bakugan, K'nex, Transformers... the boys love 'em!



Mega Blocks Spiderman \$9.99 at Marshalls



Assorted -- Ben 10, Bakugan, K'nex, Transformers at T.J. Maxx and Marshalls



Radio Controlled Car \$9.99 at T.J. Maxx

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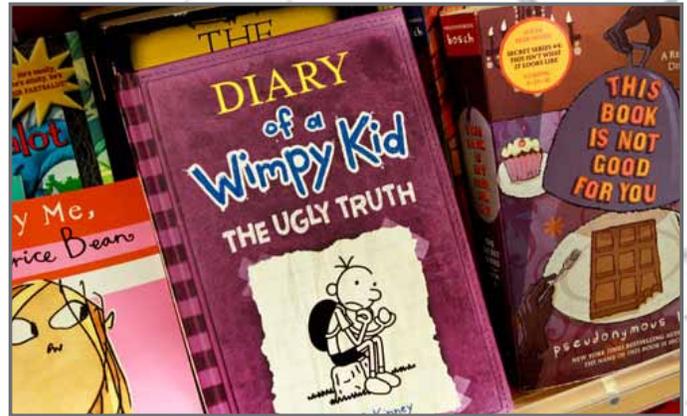
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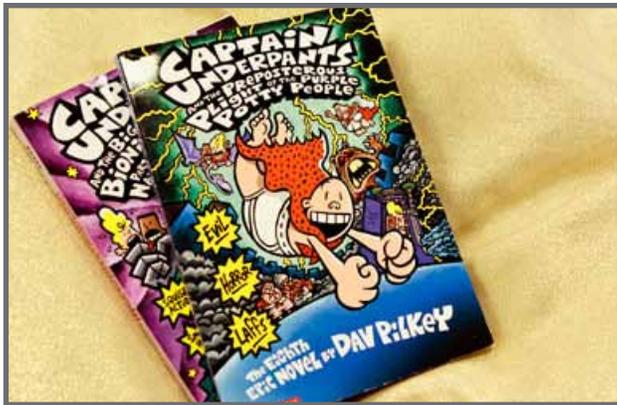
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3. Books, Books, Books

As much as kids don't always jump up and down when receiving books, it is still one of my favorite items to buy school age children. And fortunately nowadays there are even more super fun books that kids love to read!

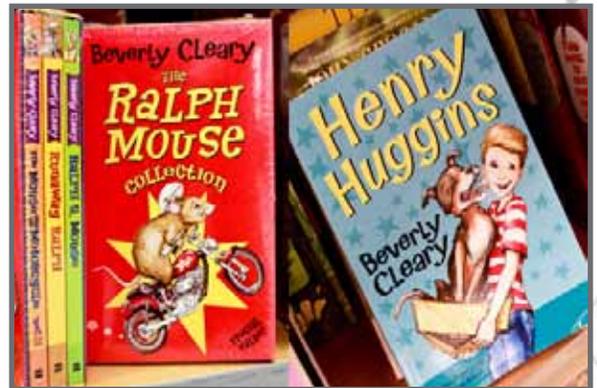


Diary of a Wimpy Kid - The Ugly Truth \$8.99 at T.J. Maxx and Marshalls

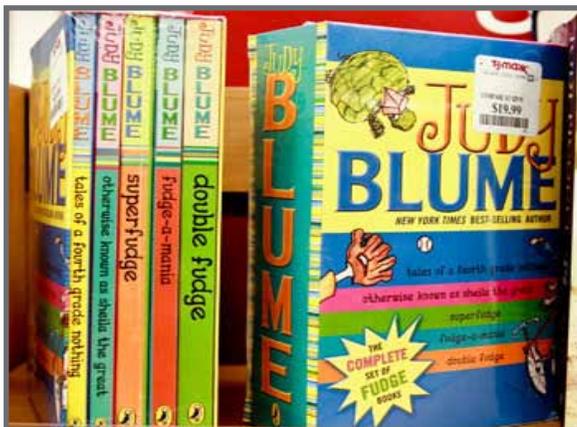


Captain Underpants - each \$5.99 at T.J. Maxx

...and, much to my delight, Jackson loves Beverly Cleary as much as I did!



Beverly Cleary - The Ralph Mouse Collection \$9.99 and Henry Huggins \$3.99 at T.J. Maxx



Judy Blume Set \$19.99 at T.J. Maxx

T.J. Maxx and **Marshalls** even had Judy Blume!

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Grade School 4. Foot Wear

When it comes to footwear, find a Marshalls store that features a Shoe-MegaShop and you will never want to shop anywhere else for shoes. Whether it is kids, mens, or ladies, Marshalls has the best labels at usually 50% off. ALL of the shoes here are 50% less than the suggested retail.



Steve Madden Girls Flat \$24.99 at Marshalls



Nine West Kids Boot \$24.99 at Marshalls

Jackson was thrilled when I brought him home the latest in the Diary of a Wimpy Kid series earlier this fall. Jackson has read all of the Diary of a Wimpy Kid series, (guess where I bought them?) all of the Captain Underpants series...

If only I hadn't been rushing to get all my photos shot, I would have picked up these Fila's for my son. I hope they have his size when I go next!



Fila Boys Shoe \$19.99, US Polo Assn \$14.99 at Marshalls

This is such a cool look for boys. Love it.



Tommy Hilfiger Boys Boot \$24.99 at Marshalls

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Teenages

When it comes to teens, the key to shopping is “cool.” They want to unwrap gifts that they would actually buy for themselves. So we have to get into their heads and think like teenagers. It wasn't THAT long ago we were young ourselves, right?



Glimmer Dresses - \$19.99, \$16.99 at T.J. Maxx

1. Wearing...

I just love these sweater dresses! What a fun and wearable look for school or weekends. They are perfect with leggings or tights, and a pair of flats or boots.



Luciano Berni Scarf \$16.99 at T.J. Maxx

I almost bought this scarf myself. But since I already have quite a few new scarves, I resisted. I think it would be a great look for a teenager too — sweet and hip.

The boys in my life are pretty basic kinds of guys... comfy shirt and baseball cap are a good way to go.



Nike Cap, Lucky Brand Shirt \$19.99 at T.J. Maxx



Burton Hat \$9.99 at T.J. Maxx

I love this Burton hat (or toque as Canadians call them!) It is snowboarder-cool.

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2. Walking...

I tried on these boots. I had to! Coach boots that looked that funky — I just had to slip them on my feet.

And can I tell you? They are SO comfortable and warm. Although they are Coach and a bit of an investment, they fit so well and are such great quality

that they would be great boots for teenage girls who are spending a lot of time walking in the cold weather. (I am missing the price in my notes, but they were between \$100-\$200. I have to call the store and ask.)



Coach Boots at Marshalls



Converse \$19.99 at Marshalls

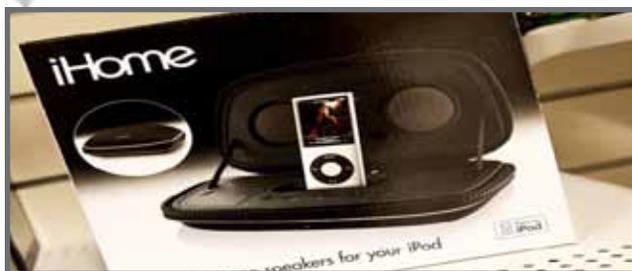
Converse. Cool. And only \$19.99.

3. Carrying...

Can you imagine the squeals of delight from a fashion-savvy teenage girl who opened up a Juicy Couture Backpack on Christmas morning??? It isn't in everyone's price range — but it was SO fun to see them for so much less at [T.J. Maxx](#) and [Marshalls](#). You can pick one up for \$119.00 compared to \$198.00.



Juicy Couture Backpacks \$119.00 at Marshalls



iHome Portable Speakers for iPod \$49.99 at Marshalls

Teenagers are on the move. And they are always connected to their iPods. Portable speakers??? Yes. Very cool.

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3. Carrying...

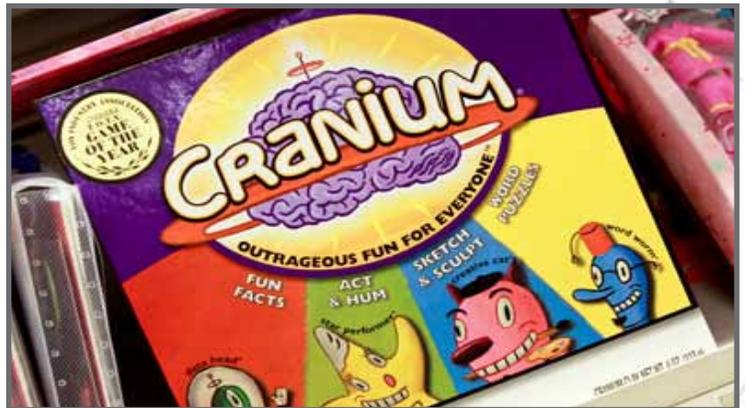
And of course, [T.J. Maxx](#) and [Marshalls](#) have the silicone cases and sleeves to protect all the technology teens are toting around with them.



Assorted Silicone Cases for iPhone and iPad at Marshalls

4. Playing...

And of course, T.J. Maxx and Marshalls have the silicone cases and sleeves to protect all the technology teens are toting around with them.



Cranium \$9.99 at T.J. Maxx



Scene It? is only \$14.99 — another great game to get teens and families playing games together.

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So you are stuck. You are out of time and out of ideas. And you are almost out of money. No worries — here are twelve great gifts that will have you heading into Christmas all wrapped up!

1. Throws

Let's get started with the first item I photographed for Part 3 and perhaps my favorite gift idea for family and friends this season — throws!



Berkshire Blanket - Bunnysoft Throw \$19.99 at T.J. Maxx



Columbia Throw \$19.99, Thro by Marlo Lorenz \$24.99 at T.J. Maxx

The gorgeous blankets at [T.J. Maxx](https://www.tjmaxx.com) immediately caught my eye. It was everything I could do to not buy them all!

I love throws. They add color and cozy to any room — what would a cuddle on the couch be without a blanket? These luxurious throws are some of the softest, snuggliest I have ever touched — and so reasonably priced.



Grammercy Studio, Faux Fur Throw, \$14.99, Assorted Throw at T.J.

If you are lost on a great gift for in-laws, family, or friends, consider a colorful or neutral throw. No one can have too many beautiful blankets.

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2. Candles

Whether you are picking up last minute Christmas decor for your own home or putting together a gift bag or basket of lovely candles, I love to buy candles at [T.J. Maxx](#) and [Marshalls](#). They have stunning candles at affordable prices!

I just couldn't resist these perfect candles by Gardeners Eden.



Gardeners Eden Candles - Marshalls

3. Vases



Vase at T.J. Maxx

While we are on the decor theme, for mere dollars, you can pick up some stunning pieces at T.J. Maxx and Marshalls. This mirror vase is only \$3.99! I thought it was so cool, I picked one up for my Mother-In-Law. (Don't tell her it only cost \$3.99!)



Mirror Vase, \$3.99 at T.J. Maxx

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4. Dishes — Mixing Bowls to Serving Trays

I really wish I bought these bowls! I love the muted colors and I can always use more mixing bowls.



Assorted Mixing Bowls - T.J. Maxx



Serving Tray, Spotty Large Casserole Dish \$16.99 at T.J. Maxx

I bought this serving tray below for my Mother-In-Law as well. I think she is going to love it.

5. Cookware — Copper to Colorful

T.J. Maxx has cookware for the college student and the connoisseur.



Assorted Cuisanart Frying Pans \$12.99, Eco-Life Non-Stick Saucepan \$24.99 at T.J. Maxx



Ruffoni Copper Pan w Brass Handles - Made in Italy \$199.00,
Hotel Copper Tri-Ply Saucepan \$34.99 at T.J. Maxx

I want these copper pots! The one on the left is 99.9% pure copper, made in Italy and retails for \$400.00!

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6. Luggage

Yes! Luggage! If your wife is a traveling mom blogger, or your in-laws are heading on a trip to Italy, luggage might be the perfect gift.



Heys Suitcase \$89.99 at T.J. Maxx and Marshalls

I bought my latest set last year and I get compliments and “Where did you buy those?” all.the.time. (Check them out yourself when you see me at Blissdom.)

7. Perfume/Cologne

Buying fragrances at T.J. Maxx just makes sense. Why on earth would you not?!?



Calvin Klein One Gift Set \$39.99, Calvin Klein Escape Gift Set \$39.99 at T.J. Maxx



Kenneth Cole Reaction Suitcase \$79.99 at T.J. Maxx and Marshalls

Guess where I always buy my luggage... (I know this guessing game is too easy!) But seriously — I love the TJX stores for luggage.)



Burberry for Men Eau de Toilette \$19.99, Burberry London Eau de Parfum \$34.99 at T.J. Maxx

They have got all the top fragrances — and they cost less. These Calvin Klein gift sets retail for \$63.00 and \$68.00 and up. T.J. Maxx has them for \$39.99! Yes. This is just logic.

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8. Slippers

Slippers may be an old standby for gift giving, but these hip designs take the fuddy duddy out and replace it with comfort that is completely cool.



O'Neill Men's Slippers \$14.99, Hurley Men's Slippers \$19.99 at T.J. Maxx



Easy Spirit Women's Slippers \$8.99, Jessica Simpson Slippers \$12.99 at T.J. Maxx and Marshalls

The great thing about giving slippers as a gift is almost everyone appreciates cozy new slippers. And for women, you can add fluffy too! My Mother-In-Law writes slippers on her list every year.

9. Speciality Food

When I checked out at T.J. Maxx the cashier laughed, saying that I had the most items he had ever seen! And part of the reason is that I went to town on the specialty food items, chocolates, coffee, etc. [T.J. Maxx](#) and [Marshalls](#) is a GOLD MINE for all those teacher gifts, hostess gifts, neighbor gifts, and the ones we all dread, the unexpected gifts!



Tazo Tea Chest \$29.99 at T.J. Maxx and Marshalls



The Invisible Chef \$4.99, Funky Chunky Popcorn, Tazo Tea & Teapot \$12.99 at T.J. Maxx and Marshalls

Yes, I stocked up for all of these needs — and to have lots of unique gifts and treats under our own tree Christmas morning!

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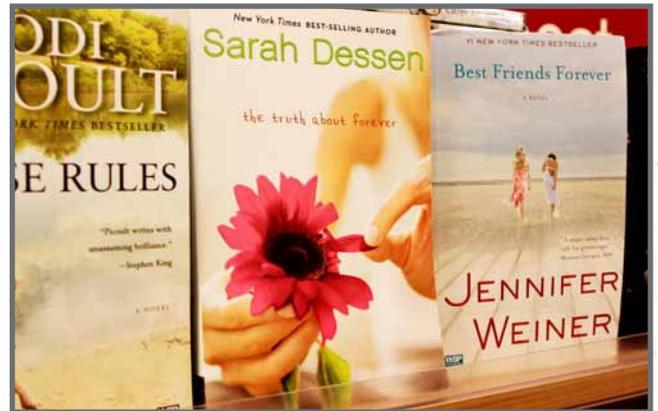
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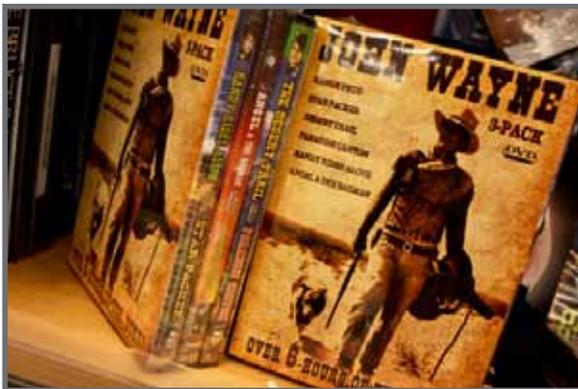
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10. Books & DVDs

It is so great to find best sellers at discount prices! I always scan the bookshelves at the TJX stores to see what fantastic finds are in stock.



Assorted New York Time Bestsellers \$5.99-\$9.99 at T.J. Maxx and Marshalls



John Wayne 3 Pack at T.J. Maxx and Marshalls

And these DVDs and DVD Collections are all \$4.99-\$5.99!

If you need a quick gift, T.J. Maxx and Marshalls are stocked full of them!



Assorted DVDs at T.J. Maxx and Marshalls

11. Gadgets



Assorted Gift Items - at T.J. Maxx and Marshalls

[T.J. Maxx](#) and [Marshalls](#) have got a huge variety of gift items and gadgets that can fit in any budget. Starting at \$3.99, you can stuff stockings with silicone iPhone or iPod cases, flashlights, heated coffee mugs and so much more! I could have spent an entire day shooting all the gadgets – from odd to everyday – they have in store.

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11. Bath and Body Products

What would gift giving be without sweet smelling soaps and pretty bottles of bath bubbles?

I bought the Wild Cherry Lotion and this elegant bottle of Bubble Bath, among others! My Mother-In-Law and my Mom both add lotions and soaps to their lists and thankfully [T.J. Maxx](#) and [Marshalls](#) has it all.



Body Shop Wild Cherry Lotion at T.J. Maxx



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Happy Soaping

I hope you have had fun shopping alongside me — I have had a blast! I can't wait until next time! P.S. Remember that when you shop at T.J. Maxx and Marshalls everything you buy is between 20% to 60% off retail price! So you will always have the thrill of a great sale!

And, when in doubt, remember two things — gift cards and returns! With a receipt, you have 30 days to return or exchange at T.J. Maxx and Marshalls and Christmas gift returns are accepted until January 3rd. And if you really can't decide — everyone loves to get a gift card!



Assorted Bath and Body Gift Baskets at T.J. Maxx and Marshalls

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