

## If you can't give the bride a maid...

Few newlyweds would turn down household help as a shower or wedding gift. In fact, if you have the funds and know reliable help, it's not a bad idea.

For those of us with less ample budgets, however, you might consider some sensible gifts that will speed housecleaning for the bride and, hopefully, the groom.

Shower themes might focus on the practical, especially if it's a large wedding and the bride already has registered her needs for crystal, silver and linens.

The couple may be too preoccupied with wedding plans to think about the everyday aspects of running a household. Once the honeymoon is over, practical gifts will be much appreciated.

If you can figure out just what the bride and groom have already in the way of cleaning tools and appliances, you can plan a shower or gift that will save the couple money and hassle.

Ideas for gift "packages":

- Who ever has enough wastebaskets, especially now, when many people are recycling?

- Nest a small bathroom size vanity wastebasket inside a tall, step-on wastebasket and fill with rubber gloves, cleaning supplies, garbage bags and labels marked for bottles and cans.

- If you're imaginative, enclose a card that itemizes "ten ways to get others to take out the trash."

- If you know the color scheme of the couple's new home, buy a half-dozen rolls of shelf liner in colors or patterns to match.

- Although this is one of the more satisfying tasks when setting up a home, you might enclose a homemade "gift certificate" that offers your help in putting the shelf liner in place.

- To ease the routine chores of cleaning the kitchen and bathrooms, equip a Roughneck® tote or clean-up caddy with necessary supplies: Cleaning solutions, sponges and rubber gloves. The caddy or tote keeps supplies organized and portable.

- Or, fill a laundry basket with a bowl brush set, bath mat, toilet paper, laundry powder and other necessities. Another idea—equip a broom and mop organizer with a broom, mop and dustpan.

### NEED WEDDING OR SHOWER IDEAS?

If you can't give the bride and groom a personal maid, plan a small avalanche of household cleaning supplies to smooth housekeeping hassles once the honeymoon's over.

- To organize tools, Rubbermaid's new Work Space™ System makes a great gift.

- What couple moving to that first apartment or home won't find a hammer, nails and other tools a necessity? Many products in this new line (made to hold nuts,

## Maybe the bride and groom do need a toaster

A common comment heard from those shopping for a bride and groom is "What should I get them? I'm sure they don't exactly need a toaster!" But often the newlyweds do need a new toaster, as well as other small kitchen appliances. Proctor-Silex, Inc., the world's largest manufacturer of toasters, suggests that gifts for the kitchen may be just what the happy couple is looking for:

- Perhaps Sally and Sam are bagel addicts, and their old toaster won't hold bagels, English muffins or any wide breads. The new innovation in toasters from Proctor-Silex, Inc., the Lot-A-Slot™ Coolwall Toaster, has a longer, wider slot than conventional toasters, and easily fits all size breads.

- If the newlywed couple loves to stay in and watch television on Saturday nights, consider the Popcorn Pumper.® All that videocassette action can't be good for their waistlines, and the hot air Popcorn Pumper will allow them to make America's favorite snack without butter or oil.

- Perhaps his old coffeemaker and her used can opener are a hideous match. Start a set of matching small appliances for both of them. Consider the Heartland® and Marmalade® Collections from Proctor-Silex, Inc. Their country-inspired patterns will help counteract the shock she feels when she finds out how he really looks in the morning.

- Don't let your friends start out their marriages on the wrong foot. Many a marriage may have been saved by a Proctor-Silex® Coffeemaker with a timer. The availability of coffee first thing in the morning gives people one less thing to argue about!

Even those couples who already own a complete set of kitchen appliances will appreciate some updated models with the latest features. A wedding is a time of new beginnings—and new kitchen appliances will help the happy couple get off to a fresh start every day. JWB89782/

bolts and other supplies) can be mounted on the Wall Strip or pegboard, then moved into the Tool Caddy for portable use.

- Create a "beauty kit" with hand cream, lotion, manicure set and rubber gloves to prevent chapped hands and broken nails (often the result of household chores). Wrap it all up in a dish drainer or plastic food container to make the present even more useful.



For shower activities, guests could share household hints, both funny and practical.

Or, have guests come prepared to write down their best "no-fault" recipes on cards to place in a special index card file or book. Present this to the guest of honor during the party.

For comfort and convenience....

## Sleek wedding gifts offer low-cost automation

Help make the newlyweds' home more comfortable, convenient and safe by giving a Honeywell home control. They are small, affordable, thoughtful gifts that will be appreciated by the bride and groom, because they add a touch of class to their new home, while lessening the hassles and worries of daily life.

### Several options

Here are three wedding gift suggestions selected from Honeywell's complete line of Euro-designed controls for the home:

- *The Illuminated Outlet* for the couple who wants the convenience of a night light, but doesn't want to monopolize all or part of an electric outlet.

- This night light leaves both outlets free, making it ideal in bathrooms where her hair dryers and curling iron or his shaver and radio are used.

- *The Hour Off Control* is designed to prevent fires caused by leaving electric products on.

- By setting a time delay and plugging it into an appliance, the newlywed couple can rush off to work or play without worrying whether the appliances were turned off.

- *The 3-In-1 Safety Light* ensures that the newlywed couple will never be left in the dark.

- It serves as a night light, emergency light and a flashlight, all in one.



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