

## GIFT GUIDE

# Be prepared for unexpected company

While many social occasions surrounding Christmas are anticipated for months in advance, unexpected pop-ins are also the norm this time of year. Rather than being caught off guard, individuals can take steps to prepare for unexpected guests.

**Have food available.** Even if guests pop in for a little while, it's nice to be able to offer them something to eat. Keep cheese and crackers, fresh fruit, pretzels, and other snacks on hand. Make-ahead, crowd-friendly foods can be prepared and frozen. Casseroles, pasta dishes and stews are hearty and can serve in a pinch when unexpected visitors arrive. Simply take out to defrost and heat up. Keep cookies in air-tight tins and purchase a premade frozen pie to serve, if necessary.

**Keep the bar stocked.** Toasting to a happy holiday season is the norm during this time of year. Toasting requires hosts have some spirits on hand. Stock the bar with a few staples, such as red and white wine, vodka, rum, whiskey, and mixers. Also, you may just want to create a signature or seasonal cocktail that can be served when guests arrive, such as a spiced punch or a holiday eggnog.



**Cue the musical playlist.** Put together a playlist of favorite holiday music that will provide the ideal ambiance should guests ring your doorbell.

**Keep things neat.** Set aside a closet or space that can serve as a catch-all where errant items can quickly be stored. Gather loose toys, books or stray papers in a basket and then stash the basket in the closet until guests depart. Routinely empty the dishwasher so dirty dishes left in the sink can be quickly loaded before guests arrive.

**Create an aromatic atmosphere.** Scented candles that evoke the aromas of the season can refresh stale indoor air. Butter cookie, apple pie and cinnamon scented candles can make it seem like you just finished some holiday baking.

Guests tend to drop by on a moment's notice come the holidays. Preparing for the unexpected can make such visits more enjoyable.

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"DENTURE TEETH!"



DENTURE TEETH, DENTURE TEETH  
I MAKE TEETH ALL DAY  
OH WHAT FUN, IT IS TO MAKE  
THOSE TEETH ALL MY OWN WAY!

WORKING IN MY LAB  
LOCATED ALL RIGHT HERE  
I MAKE THOSE TEETH MYSELF  
WITH MY BLOOD, SWEAT AND TEARS  
I LOVE TO CREATE SMILES  
FOR ALL THOSE PEOPLE WHO COME  
SOME FROM MANY FAR AWAY MILES  
JUST FOR ME TO MAKE THEM SOME!

OH, DENTURE TEETH, DENTURE TEETH  
I MAKE SMILES ALL DAY  
OH WHAT FUN IT IS TO MAKE  
THOSE HAPPY TEETH ALL DAY!

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