



Holiday Planner

3 Weeks to Thanksgiving 7 Weeks to Christmas

- ☐ Grab a cup of coffee and these Christmas Printables and get started! You'll make better decisions and stay on budget if you have a plan.

- [Money-Saving Christmas Gift Planner](#)
- [Christmas Giving and Wishing List](#)

- ☐ Confirm all family arrivals and departures. If you're traveling, finalize those details as well.
- ☐ Display your family's seasonal performances and parties on one family calendar.



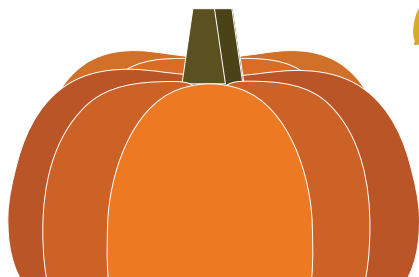
2 Weeks to Thanksgiving 6 Weeks to Christmas

- ☐ Finalize your Thanksgiving menu, and start a menu for Christmas.
- ☐ Purchase non-perishable seasonal items like canned pumpkin, jellied cranberries, and Karo Syrup (can you say pecan pie?). Prepare and freeze your Thanksgiving casseroles and desserts this week.
- ☐ Sit down as a family and talk about ways you want to serve others during the holidays. Make a plan for your chosen project(s) and put them on the calendar.



1 Week to Thanksgiving 5 Weeks to Christmas

- ☐ Prepare guest rooms and clean bathrooms.
- ☐ Buy disposable containers for guests' leftovers.
- ☐ Show love and send our [Thanksgiving Lunchbox Notes](#) to school, or hide them under your children's pillow.
- ☐ Take a peek at the "Black Friday" deals.
- ☐ Make your Christmas card list and order your cards. Go ahead and buy stamps too.



Thanksgiving Week

- ☐ Shop for your groceries early in the week to beat the last-minute crowds.
- ☐ Start thawing the turkey in the fridge on Monday.
- ☐ Get your table ready on Tuesday and Wednesday. Thaw pre-made dishes and desserts.
- ☐ Give the house a final clean sweep on Wednesday.
- ☐ Take a minute to pause amidst the chaos. Notice your blessings and give thanks.
- ☐ Shop Black Friday. If you hate waiting in lines, try Cyber Monday!
- ☐ Crank up the carols, string the popcorn, and hang the ornaments!





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3 Weeks to Christmas

- ☐ Tally up your attendees and finalize your menu.
- ☐ Calendar sync for all your holiday festivities. Remember, you don't have to attend every possible event—choose carefully, and politely decline others to protect family time during the season.
- ☐ Sweep the house for toy/clothing/pantry donations.
- ☐ Address and mail your Christmas cards.
- ☐ Organize all holiday outfits—pajamas, church services, parties, school events.

2 Weeks to Christmas

- ☐ Buy all non-perishables for your Christmas meal.
- ☐ Make and bake for Christmas, freeze until the big day.
- ☐ Review your gift list. Pick up any final gifts.
- ☐ Set aside one day this week for wrapping gifts. Put on some Christmas tunes and gather your supplies. Pray for the recipients while you wrap.
- ☐ Plan now to start a new Christmas Eve tradition.



1 Week to Christmas

- ☐ Shop for final Christmas meal items.
- ☐ Deliver teacher and neighbor gifts.
- ☐ Make a final clean sweep of the house, freshen the guest room if needed, and get the dinner table ready.
- ☐ Late in the week, start thawing pre-made dishes and desserts in the fridge.
- ☐ Print iMOM's [The Story of Christmas](#) to read with your family and remember the heart of Christmas. The public library often offers free or discounted printing.

Christmas Eve/Christmas Day

- ☐ Go over iMOM's [Christmas Eve Checklist](#).
- ☐ Put the final touches on your Christmas meal.
- ☐ Celebrate and attend Christmas Eve or Christmas Day services together as a family.
- ☐ Eat, Give, Laugh, Love and ENJOY!

