

# Gift Wrapping Checklist

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- Gift Wrapping
  - Gather your materials.
  - Lay the materials out on a flat work surface.
  - Don't limit yourself to just one pattern per present.
  - For large gifts, consider layering two or more papers of different colors or patterns.
  - Wrap a long piece of ribbon around the gift box lengthwise.
  - If you have a card, slide it under the ribbon and secure it with tape.
  - To make the actual present a surprise, wrap a toy or model-size version of it.
  - Attach a note that gives clues to the location of the real thing.
  - Package small presents with a twist by wrapping them to look like candy canes.
- Gift Wrapping Alternatives
  - Fabric gift bags make beautiful, personal and unique gift wraps.
  - Use large sheets of color comics for wrapping kids' gifts.
  - Cut out the pictures from large size calendar and use them for gift wrap.
  - Use wallpaper samples from your local paint and wallpaper shop.
  - An appealing source for gift wrap are old maps.