

# SUNDAYSHOPPER

| A Dozen Deals — For \$40 or Less



**Still searching for a holiday gift?** Here are some of our favorite Sunday Shopper items of the past year. The best part: They're all less than \$40.

**1.** "Real Art! The Paint-by-Number Book & Kit" from Workman comes with 18 pots of acrylic paint, two brushes and 10 frameable paintings, including a classic fruit still life and your very own Mona Lisa. \$16.47 at Amazon.com. **2.** Foray's Liquid Pencil won't improve SAT scores, but its liquid graphite tip will eliminate trips to the pencil sharpener. \$2.99 for three at Office Depot stores. **3.** With L.L. Bean's FR-200 AM/FM Shortwave Radio, one minute of cranking gets you an entire hour of tunes. \$39.95 at 800-441-5713 or llbean.com. **4.** The telephone replica Please Hold comes complete with a curly cord. In diner red or classic black, the retro handset easily plugs into most mobiles. \$25 at Details for the Home (6590 Jefferson St., Haymarket, 703-754-0000). **5.** Tired of her babies wiggling off the sides of their rectangular changing pads, Grace Welch invented the round Patemm. The 24-inch plastic-coated cloth comes in 13 funky patterns. \$30-\$38 at Patemm.com. **6.** These cotton Knee Length Boot Bags come in sassy patterns. \$30 at Hattiemayfield.com. **7.** Jennifer Lawler's "The Self-Defense Deck: 50 Powerful Strategies for Staying Safe" provides lessons in protection on color-coded cards. \$8.97 at Chroniclebooks.com. **8.** Startle intruders — or unsuspecting family members — with Wild Planet's Spy Voice Trap. Record an ominous message and when the motion alarm detects a room raider, it plays back the warning. \$12 at the International Spy Museum Store (800 F St. NW, 202-654-0950). **9.** Dixie & Spike, the groovy tug toy from Otis and Claude, is made of durable cotton canvas and spouts "I love you." \$12-\$16 at A.K.A. Spot (2509 N. Franklin Rd., Arlington, 703-248-0093). **10.** LapSchticks are funky, easy-to-use appliques that spruce up laptops with designs such as stylized asterisks, old-school turntables, snappy stripes or new crocodile, leopard and suede styles. \$19.99 at Schtickers.com. **11.** Ouch, the voodoo doll toothpick holder from Fred (in cadaverous shades of charcoal gray or oyster white) holds 35 toothpicks for stabbing snacks. \$5.99 at Perpetualkid.com. **12.** Learn emoticon shorthand for things such as "broken nose" :^), and "just married" :-):- with this moody mouse pad cheat sheet. \$10 at the National Building Museum (401 F St. NW, 202-272-7706).

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