

THE CHRISTMAS P L E D G E

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 Pick up takeout on the way home, get your jammies on immediately and get to work. Browse Pinterest all night looking for present wrapping ideas. 	
 Book your hair and/or nail appointments for December. It's totally acceptable to do this while at work because looking nice for work is extremely conscientious of you. 	
 Haul ass to wherever you buy your wrapping stuff and get what you need for this year's presents based on your Pinterest inspiration. 	
 You have Christmas/Hanukah cards hidden away somewhere. You know you do. You bought them on sale last year. Find them. Also find your address list and buy stamps. 	
 Still can't find those stupid cards? Order custom cards online from Vistaprint or another online source. Spend tonight coming up with design ideas. 	
6. Make a list of everyone you're buying for and any ideas you have for presents.	
 Continue working on the dreaded Christmas gift list. Get at least 80% of your presents decided on even if it means staying up all night & getting into the good bottles of wine. 	
8. Shit. There's still food to think of. Make a list of appetizers, snacks and cookies you want to make and all of the ingredients you need to buy for them.	
 Stuck on what to buy a few people? Write their names down and any interests or hobbies they have. Search Amazon for novels based on those hobbies and order them. 	
10. Buy all the ingredients you need for your holiday food or stand on the couch with your hand over your heart and pledge to serve Oreos , frozen pizza and tap water.	
 If you still have stuff (presents, cards, decorations) you want to buy online you'd better order those today. Also if you're a drinker, now's about the time to get drunk. 	
12. It's time for some fun. Address all your Christmas Card envelopes. Woooooo!	
13. Still high off of your card addressing experience last night, ride the last wave of it and fill out all your cards, stamp 'em and put them by the door to mail.	
14. Drag out your outdoor decorations and lights from the bowels of your home.	
15. Buy/find any greenery, branches etc., you need for planters, window boxes or urns.	

16. Hold your breath then test your outdoor Christmas lights. Hang them regardless of whether they work. Chances are 2 weeks into December a squirrel will fart on them and they'll suddenly light up.	
17. You always think of having people over for the holidays but can't be bothered because basically you're antisocial. Either eliminate that thought from your brain so you don't waste energy on it or plan the day, the time, the people and INVITE PEOPLE OVER.	
18. Bake, Drink, Bake, Drink, Bake, Drink. In that order. Stick your cookie dough in the freezer. You'll have made room in there when oyu toook out thd Vodka.	
 Today is a day of rest. No it's not. You're so stupid. Today you will cook appetizers and freeze them. You will do this while yodelling. 	
20. Good news! Today is the first day you can start listening to Christmas Carols. Do it while drinking eggnog and rum. IF the eggnog is leftover from last year please note you will probably be eating it as opposed to drinking it.	
21. You're either going to be hungover or violently ill today so take it slow. If you have parties to go to in December, pick out what you're going to wear try it on and vow to still fit into in in 4 weeks time. Yes. Seriously.	
22. If you're American, tomorrow is Thanksgiving so you can prepare for that. I suggest good old fashioned calisthenics.	
23. It's Thanksgiving for my American friends. From what I understand this is a week long celebration of the invention of Football.	
24. Rest until noon. Drag out your indoor decorations. Google "Does turkey give you gas?".	
25. It's Shop Local day. Get out of the house and shop in nearby stores for stocking stuffers and presents. Unique local ideas? Local honey, pottery, craft beer or art.	
26. Decorate the interior of the house. Grab a box. Wherever you put a Christmas decoration out, take a regular accessory away. Just for fun take some of that cookie dough out and bake a few cookies. Just to make sure they taste good.	
27. Did you remember to mail those Christmas cards or are they still sitting by the back door? Yeah, um, go do that now.	
28. Go buy a pine or otherwise beautifully scented candle. You've worked hard. You deserve it. Now wrap it up because you're going to need a hostess gift at some point.	
29. What did you NOT get done? Look back at the list. Whatever isn't done, do it.	
30. Wrap it up. The presents. Get the presents wrapped. THEN it's a wrap. You're done & a 100% better person than any of those nitwits who'll be flailing all December.	