



10. Power Tools

When it comes to gift giving, power tools seem to regularly be at the top of a giver's list. Electronic screwdrivers, electric saws & cordless screwdrivers are just a few of the items popular as Christmas gifts year after year.

11. Bicycle

If you don't feel any need for an electric boost, maybe just treat yourself (or a loved one) to a new fully muscle-powered bike. The bicycle is one of the simplest yet most useful and efficient tools on the planet.



12. Energy-Savings Guidebooks

You can find a treasure trove of good energy-savings ideas in books available online or at most book stores.



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Energy-Efficient Holiday Gift Ideas



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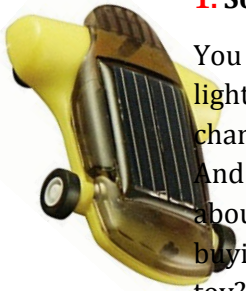
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The holiday shopping season is upon us and people everywhere are on the hunt for the perfect gifts for friends and family. Why not give them a gift they'll appreciate all year long?

Here are twelve (12) energy-savings gift ideas:

1. Solar-Powered Gadget

You can now find solar-powered lights, cellphone and battery chargers, and solar backpacks. And what better way to teach kids about renewable energy than buying them a solar-powered toy?



2. Portable Cellphone Charger

For the gadget-carrying loved one, a portable charger is one of the greatest gifts you could ask for. These battery-powered devices can be used to recharge smartphones, GPS devices, and even music players several times over while on the go.



3. Rechargeable Batteries

This gift saves money and helps keep single-use batteries out of landfills.



4. High-Efficiency Lights

These bulbs use up to 75% less energy than regular incandescents – and they keep getting cheaper. You can also find handy gadgets, such as highly efficient LED reading lamps and flashlights, that make for nice smaller gifts.



5. Timers

Devices that only need to be on at specific times, and can be turned off at other times can be plugged into a timer.



6. Energy-Efficient Power Strips

Maybe it's not the most exciting gift, but a simple fix to keep energy vampires at bay is a power strip with auto shut-off technology.



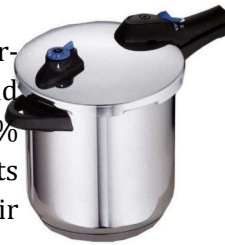
7. Energy-Efficient Appliance

If you have an old, inefficient appliance running, it may well make more environmental and financial sense to send it away and get a new, high-efficiency product.



8. Pressure cooker

These pots – great for preparing rice, beans, soups, and some meats — use up to 70% less energy than regular pots and pans by sealing in hot air to quickly cook food.



9. Laptop/Tablet

This energy-saving device is costly, but if someone on your list has been extra nice this year, offering them an alternative to their energy-draining desktop computers is sure to make you their #1 Santa!

