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# BEST GIFTS AT THE BEST PRICES

THESE **PERFECT PRESENTS** MAY LOOK LIKE THEY COST TOP DOLLAR, BUT YOU CAN GET THEM WITHOUT GOING A PENNY OVER **YOUR BUDGET.**

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After a year of recession-induced belt-tightening, your friends and family are probably craving a little dose of indulgence. You needn't spend like a fool to give it to them. We quizzed the experts—tech gurus, fashion stylists, professional chefs, and more—to uncover 37 presents that are standout values in their categories. No matter what the people on your list are into, you'll find something here that will make them (and you) very merry indeed.



FOR THE  
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TYPE**



**1** This women's 2010 Carmel **3** road bike from Globe has the same durable, top-quality components you'd find on \$2,000-plus models from high-end maker Specialized—because the same company owns both brands (\$390, [globebikes.com](http://globebikes.com)).

**2** This Necky Rip kayak is an intermediate boat with comfort features—like an adjustable seat—normally found only in kayaks double the price, says Brooks Holmes, owner of Snake River Kayak in Jackson, Wyo. (\$600, [neckykayaks.com](http://neckykayaks.com)).

**3** The shock-absorbing Tubbs FLEX NRG snowshoes are designed to accommodate all levels, from beginner to advanced. So there's zero risk the recipient will need to upgrade next year (\$180, [tubbssnowshoes.com](http://tubbssnowshoes.com)).