How To \$ave Money on Gifts Without Leaving Your Home!







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Yeah yeah ...that's a pretty boring title. If you have a better idea, please let me know!

It really is possible to save a lot of money with your computer these days. The nice thing is, it's really fast too.

I admire those folks who can walk into a grocery store and walk out with \$300 in groceries for \$2.12 because they are experts at using coupons. Most people, I think, don't have the time, energy or expertise to do that.

The computer makes saving money quick and easy. You probably won't save 99+% like the example above but the savings can be substantial.

This report will show you many ways to save that money. You have probably heard of some of these sites but be sure to read about each one because I have some unique ways to use them.

Let's start out with the biggest of dogs...



We all know that Amazon offers discounted prices on just about everything.

The savings is always front and center!

List Price: \$13.95

Price: \$7.67 & eligible for FREE Super Saver Shipping on orders over \$25. Details

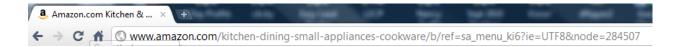
You Save: \$6.28 (45%)

Pre-order Price Guarantee. Learn more.

You're probably not aware that Amazon calls their categories, "NODES"

To find out NODE #'s go to Amazon and click on the SHOP ALL DEPARTMENTS Orange Button.





Look at the URL line and you'll notice "node=" and then a 6 digit number. (it's not always 6)

Take that NODE # and put it into this URL...

http://www.amazon.com/s?node=NODE#HERE&pct-off=70-99

So the end product will look like...

http://www.amazon.com/s?node=284507&pct-off=70-99

You'll notice that part at the end... "&pct-off=70-99"

That means the products you get back will be offered on Amazon at discounts of 70-99% off suggested retail price.

You can change the 70 or 99 to any number you want.

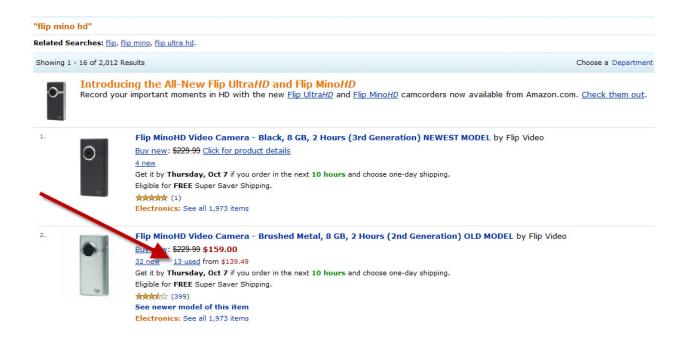
So if you know someone who likes kitchen stuff and you want to get them a gift but your budget is limited use this tactic to get a nice gift at the best price.

http://www.amazon.com/s?node=284507&pct-off=70-99

You could turn it into a moneymaker if you find something selling at or near retail on ebay which you can buy at a discount using this tactic on Amazon.

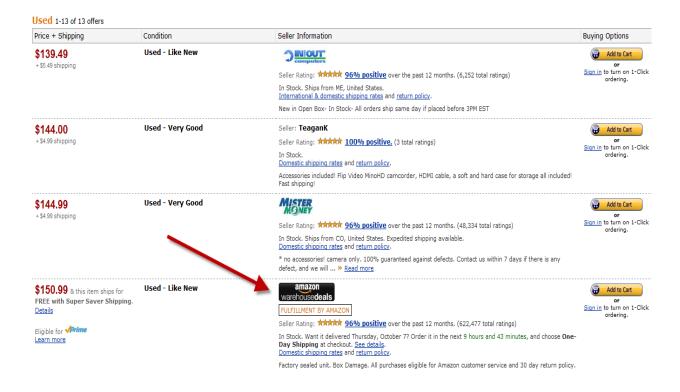
Keep in mind the eBay fees and shipping costs when selecting products.

Another way you can save money on Amazon is by buying used products. Notice in the next picture that you could save around \$20 on the Flip Mino by buying used.



Of course, you take your chances when you are buying from an individual that what they say is accurate regarding condition, shipping time, money back guarantee etc.

What you might not know is Amazon is one of the sellers of used stuff on Amazon via their warehouse deals...

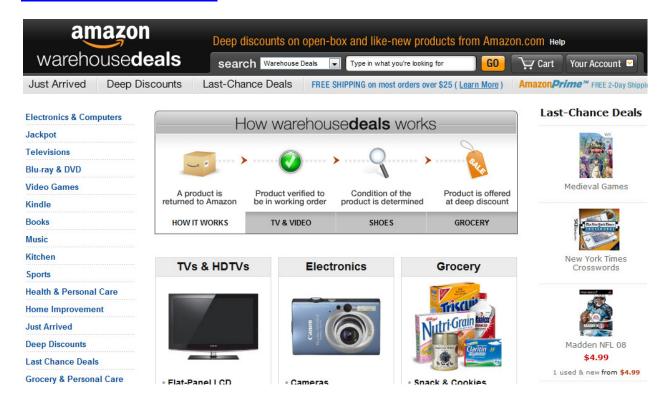


In this Flip Mino example you're only going to save \$9 buying used but the unit is in a Factory sealed box...only the box is damaged. You are protected by Amazon's money back guarantee and the damaged box provides an opportunity for humor.

"It fell off the back of a truck in front of my house! It's the thought that counts, right?"

Amazon has warehouse deals in just about every category so start any shopping there.

www.WarehouseDeals.com



If you get a warehouse deal with the intent of giving it as a gift and its condition is not up to your standards you can send it back and get your money back.

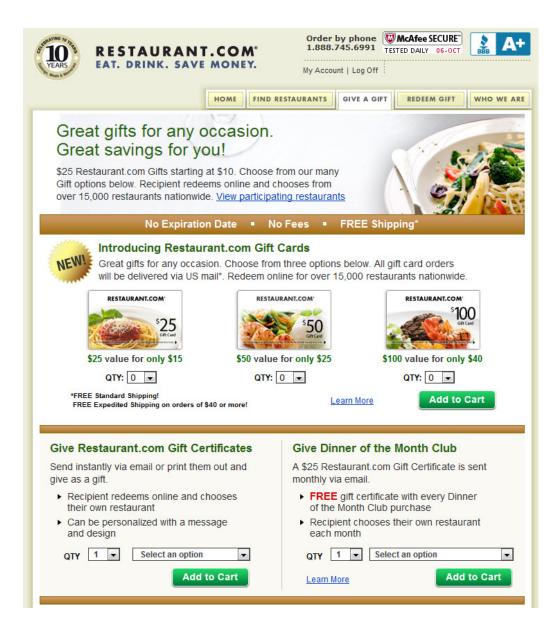
You'd take your chances buying from an individual.



You can get some nice percentage savings at Amazon but probably the most consistent discounts of 50+% can be found at Restaurant.com.

If you like giving gift certificates to restaurants, this is the place you must go! If you yourself like eating out, this is the place you must go!





You'll save 40-60% every day at this site and if you join their list you'll get occasional special offers.

Reader Tina reports...

Often, though, they run additional sales- 60, 70, 80, and just recently, a 90% off sale. This is off their ALREADY discounted price! So that \$25 GC that is regularly 12.50 is now \$3.75 when the 70% off sale is running. With the 90% deal that they just ran, I racked up a LOT of holiday shopping: \$285 in GCs for pocket change: \$15.60. The only 'catch' (which really isn't a catch) is that there are often minimum purchases, or certain times when you can use them. ie: You can use your \$25 GC on a minimum purchase of \$35 (typically). There's some fine print, but if you're willing to meet the

terms, it's a great deal. The economy is bad; they've been running the 70, and 80% sales often!

A friend last night told me she'd recently bought two \$25 gift certificates for \$1 each.

Those pesky "restrictions" aren't so bad.

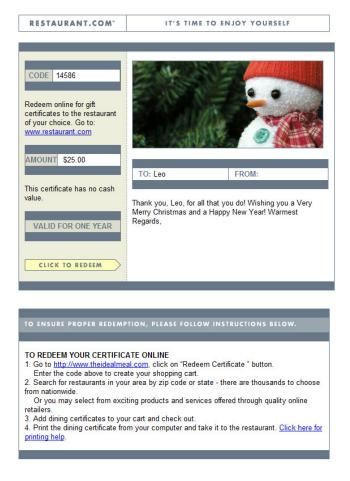
Typically, the discount applies only to FOOD not drinks. You have to buy a minimum. You'd have to buy \$35 worth of food with the \$25 gift certificate for example.

They add a gratuity, usually 18% before the discount, you have to use it in the dining room and only one certificate per party.

Not too bad.

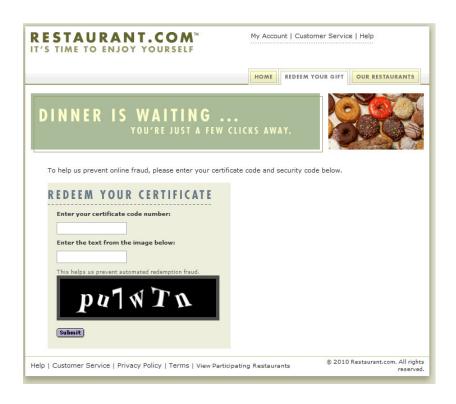
The certificates are delivered in one of two ways. You can be sent a GIFT CARD which you can present to the recipient (or keep yourself).

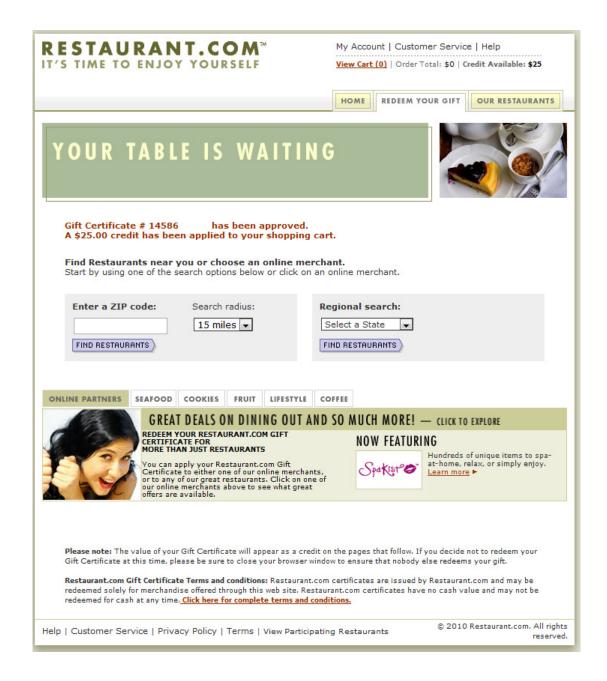
Or you can send it as an email to the recipient. If you do that, what they get in their email box looks like this...



And the process is pretty easy for them to redeem the discount at a restaurant of their choosing...



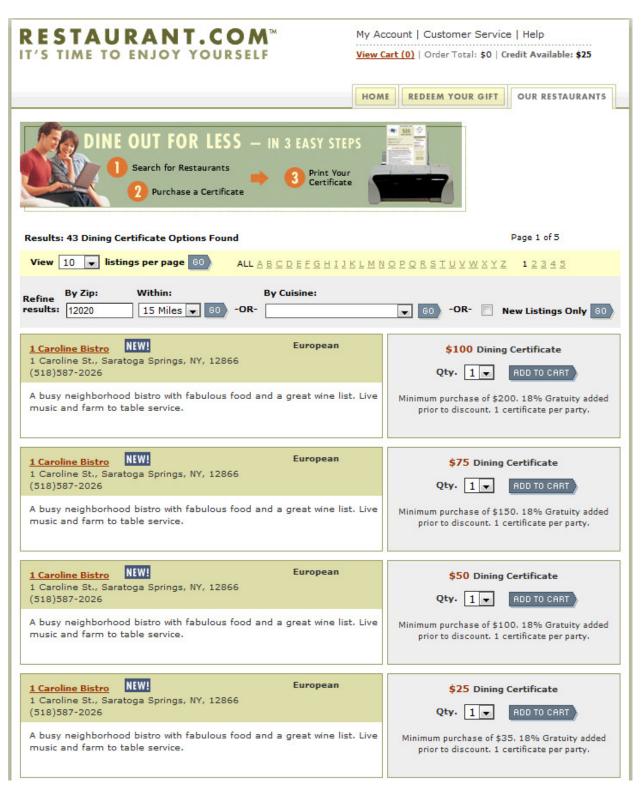




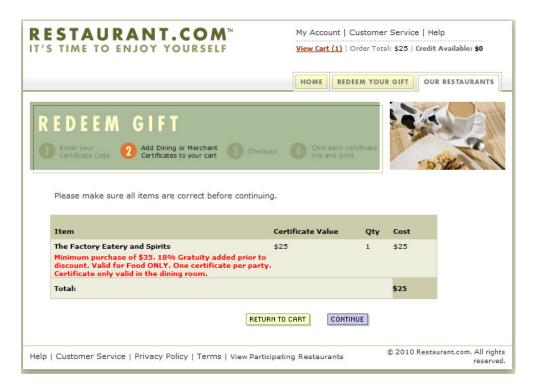
Notice how they (or you) can pick the zip code and how far from the zip code they can use it.

On a side note you could also use one of these to save money eating out when you travel. Simply insert the zip code of your destination.

Once you input the zip code you are presented with a series of choices around that zip code...



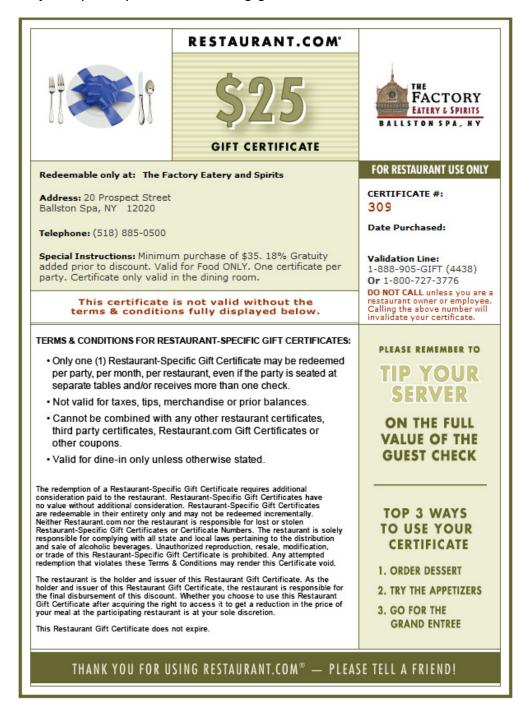
When they are checking out they are reminded of the restrictions...



And once again before printing up the gift certificate...



But then they can print up this nice looking gift certificate...



Also note if you know where they like to eat, or you want them to try a new place, you could have this gift certificate emailed to yourself, print it up and present it in person or send it in a card. This is probably the safer way to do it with email delivery being hit or miss as it seems to be these days.



PlasticJungle.com is a place where you can BUY gift cards at a discount. You can also sell or exchange any unwanted gift cards.

How Plastic Jungle Works

As the premier destination to sell, buy, exchange, and donate gift cards in a trusted environment, Plastic Jungle offers the simplest and safest way to save money at your favorite stores and turn unwanted gift cards into cash. All transactions are guaranteed, and we offer industry-leading features such as gift card replacement protection in case they are lost or damaged.





Cash in cards with a minimum balance of \$25 directly with us for up to 92% of the verified card balance. You can also exchange your unwanted or partially used gift cards for purchasing power at stores like Amazon.com, or donate them for the benefit of your favorite nonprofit organization.

Sell Your Cards

Get Started!

So join us, and start bragging to all your friends about what a sawy shopper you are and make them green with envy when you show them how to turn plastic into gold.

Get Started for Free!



Here is an example of the savings...

Merchant	Value	Discount	Quantity	Your Price
Omaha Steaks Delete	\$250.00	15%	1	\$212.50
Home Depot Delete	\$500.00	8%	1	\$460.00
Pier 1 Imports Delete	\$598.02	15%	1	\$508.32
Barnes & Noble Cift Card Delete	\$50.00	9%	1	\$45.50
1-800-FLOWERS Delete	\$50.00	25%	1	\$37.50
Express Delete	\$233.29	21%	1	\$184.30
Merchant	Value			
	value	Discount	Quantity	Your Price
* Kohl's Delete	\$132.31	Discount 14%	Quantity 1	Your Price \$113.79
* Delete				
Delete Staples Staples	\$132.31	14%	1	\$113.79
Staples Delete A.C. Moore Delete	\$132.31 \$100.00	14% 8%	1	\$113.79 \$92.00

As of this date here are the merchants represented on PlasticJungle.com

Merchant Kohl's (81) Express (70) AMC Theatres (62) Home Depot (60) Pier 1 Imports (45) Bath Body Works (41) Black Angus Steakhouse (39) Barnes & Noble (33) Lucky Brand Jeans (33) New York and Company (29) American Apparel (27) Target (27) JC Penney (23) PETCO (22) Lids (20) Red Lobster (20)	bebe (9) Coldwater Creek (9) American Eagle Outfitters (7) Chico's (7) Childrens Place (7) Cold Stone Creamery (7) Ruths Chris Steak House (7) Adidas (6) Brooks Brothers (6) Ponderosa Steak House (6) Port of Subs (6) Sport Chalet (6) Buckle (5) Darden Restaurants (5) Morton's Steakhouse (5) Orvis (5) Cheesecake Factory (4) DSW (4) Fandango (4) Foot Locker (4) Movie Gallery (4) Payless (4) Radio Shack (4)	Lane Bryant (2) Melting Pot (2) Mens Wearhouse (2) Modell's (2) Regal Cinema (2) Rubio's (2) Sephora (2) Sunglass Hut (2) 1-800-FLOWERS (1) Ann Taylor (1) Bass Pro Shops (1) Body Shop (1) Borders Books (1) Boscov's Department Store (1) Boston Market (1) Budget Rental Car (1) Cache (1) California Pizza Kitchen (1) Chili's, Macaroni Grill, On The Border, Maggiano's (1) Christopher & Banks (1)	
The Limited (18) Bon-Ton Department	West Elm (4) A.C. Moore (3)	Gucci (1) Guess (1)	
Store (17) PacSun (17)	Best Buy (3) Burton (3) Chili's (3)	Jack in the Box (1) Johnston and Murphy (1) Jos. A. Bank (1)	
J. Jill (16)	Dillards (3) Dress Barn (3)	Kirklands (1) Lacoste (1)	
The Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf (16) Lowes (15)	LL Bean (3) Macaroni Grill (3) Macaroni Grill (3) Sports Authority (3)	Landmark Theatres (1) Loews Cineplex (1) Mccormick and Schmicks (1)	
☐ Omaha Steaks (15)☐ J.Crew (12)☐ Aldo Shoes (10)	Steve Madden Shoes (3) Bed Bath & Beyond (2) CB2 (2)	Montgomery Ward (1) O'Charley's (1) Olive Garden (1)	
Claim Jumper Restaurants (10)	Claire's (2) Dave and Busters (2) Dick's Sporting Goods (2)	P.F. Chang's (1) Performance Bicycle (1) Puma (1)	
Coleman (10) Sizzler (10)	Hard Rock Cafe (2) I iTunes (2) Jamba Juice (2)	Roy's Hawaiian Fusion (1) Williams Sonoma (1)	

There are many more merchants available but at this time PJ doesn't have any gift cards available for them. Once you sign up at the site (it's free) you can set up alerts for when they get a card from your favorite merchant.

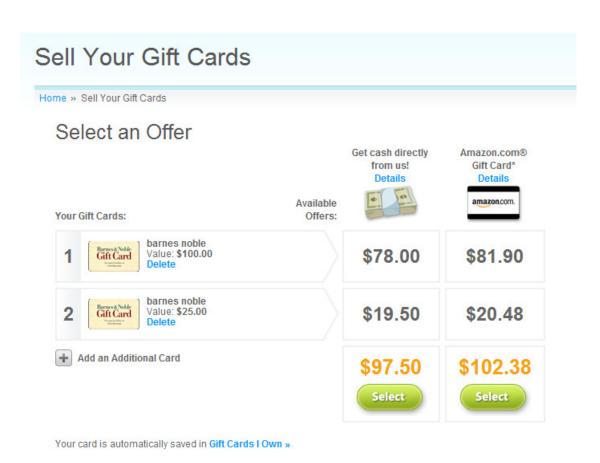
The numbers after the company names above indicate the number of gift cards available.

I've checked with my attorney and he assures me that you do NOT have to give the gift card as a gift. You can buy the gift card and use it at the merchant to save money on any purchase.

If you're going to be shopping at one of these places anyway, you might as well save some money at PlasticJungle.com

There is no charge for postage to send you a card.

At this site you can also sell your unwanted (or partially used) gift cards or exchange them for a gift certificate to Amazon.com and other stores. You can also donate them to benefit your favorite charity.



Frankly, I'm not sure how this place makes money but it seems to work. Now there is no reason to let a gift card expire. When you get one, use it quickly or sell it here. Companies go out of business unexpectedly all the time and you don't want to get stuck. When you receive a gift card that you intend to use, make a note on your calendar 90 days into the future to remind you that you have it. www.LeoQuinn.com



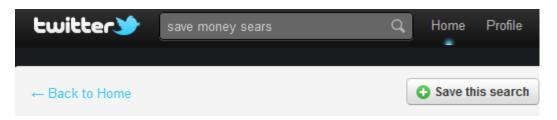
Facebook ain't just for dog pictures anymore. Now most companies have fan pages. Every visit to a local shop or an internet shop should be preceded by a search for a fan page. Many use those fan pages to announce special deals.

To make sure you don't waste a lot of time slogging through posts by people other than the business owners be sure to click on this filter...





The magic with twitter happens when you type in the name of the place you are going to shop and "coupon code" or "save money".



Results for save money sears



The Price is Right at **Sears**! Trivia #3: How much **money** would you **save** on the Craftsman 42-in. lawn tractor with...

http://fb.me/GRoLgISf

2 Oct



chulathalia Thalia esperanza

Sears Coupon Code Extra \$20 off Orders of \$200 or More when using ...: **Save money** on your shopping with **Sears** Extr...

http://bit.ly/94p8x5

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ColleenMurphy7 Sydney Shepherd

Daddy gave me a **Sears** Cattalog to look through. Can't wait to **save** up enough **money** to buy Cara and I some new clothes. (:

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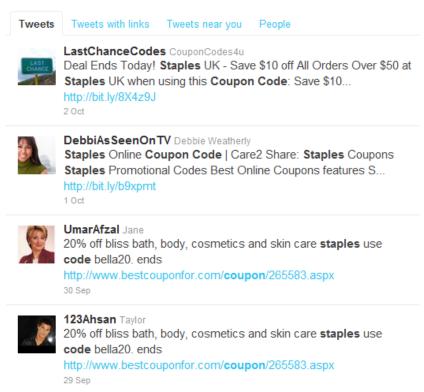
Results for save money petco





njshopping New Jersey Shopping
Save \$5 off your \$25 purchase at Petco: Grab this money saving
coupon http://bit.ly/c2358W
2 Oct

Results for staples coupon code



Results for best buy coupon code



Like with everything on the internet you have to deal with people who are misrepresenting themselves or the links they put out but you can find some good ways to save money using Twitter.

Type "money saving tips" into Twitter and you'll get a lot of good ideas.

http://bit.ly/b0GK64

3 Oct



No search for saving money on gifts would be complete without a discussion of eBay.

Hit the site, fill in the search box and go!



Often times you'll find what you are looking for brand new and in the original packaging. I prefer to use the BUY IT NOW tab...

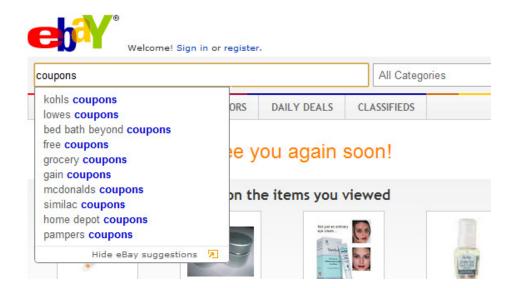


...because I'm impatient and I like to know what I'm paying.

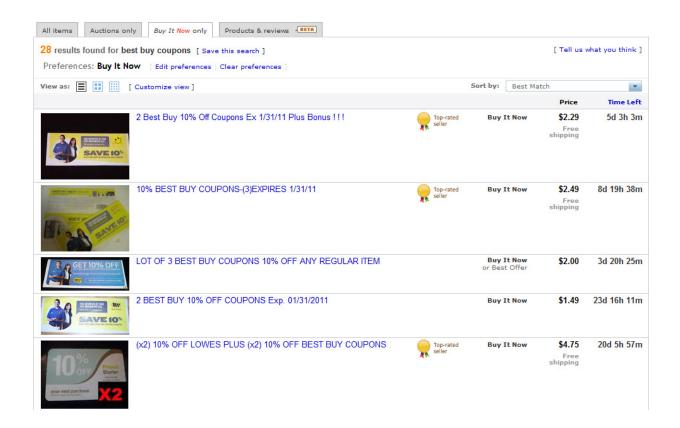
If buying via auction is your only option set up alerts to remind you when the auction is ending so you can go back and see if it's still in the range of prices that works for you.

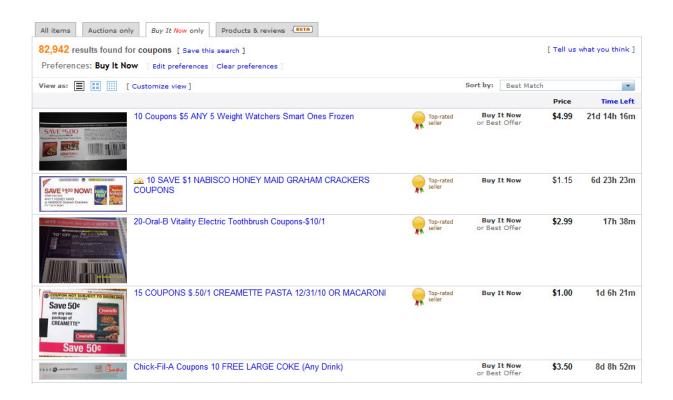
NEVER bid early as that might drive up the price unnecessarily.

Speaking of coupons and coupon codes....eBay is a great place to find these.



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This is an area where BUY IT NOW is usually the best way to go. Be sure to read each auction for the fine print too.

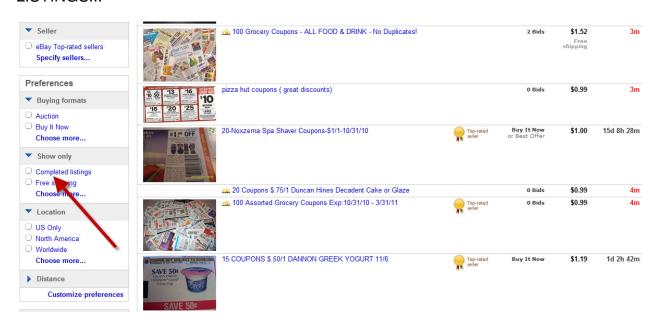
Do the math. Make sure that the cost of the coupon plus the shipping doesn't eat into too much of your savings.

This could actually be a pretty good money maker for someone who is good at finding coupons. In my quick look it seems the most successful coupon auctions include multiple coupons for one type of product.

Some examples include...

- -baby formula
- -printer cartridges
- -airline drink coupons
- -cigarettes
- -pet food
- -diapers

Log into your ebay account, search for "coupons" and then click COMPLETED LISTINGS...



This will give you an idea of what is selling in the coupon category and for how much.

I'm sure people are mining their Sunday newspapers for coupons. Some are probably rummaging through newspaper recycle bins for coupons.



This is the "double-whammy" saver.

Pick a major online retailer and find a coupon code. Then go to <u>ebates.com</u> and buy the item at that retailer. You'll save money via the coupon code and you'll get cash back from ebates. The percentage back varies from 1-5% but every little bit helps, right?

They also have a nice referral program that pays you \$5 each time a friend makes a purchase of \$25 or more. Go to ebates.com for all the details.

Note: In just taking a look at the terms of their referral program it appears that posting your link on a Facebook page or in forums is not allowed. Not sure why, but be sure to read that fine print.



You won't have any trouble finding coupon codes for any major retailer at RetailMeNot.com

Search coupon codes for 65,000 stores...

Q Search

e.g. target.com ae.com toysrus.com turbotax.com

See what I mean?

There really is no excuse to pay retail when you have access to this site.

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craigslist

Craigslist.org is great for finding used stuff but if you search right, you can find some brand new stuff, often still in the factory sealed box.

I found my treadmill here. It was still in the box and the owner helped me load it into the truck with a cigarette in his mouth. His son had given it to him as a gift and he wasn't really into it, obviously!

Step one is to go to www.Craigslist.org and choose the largest big city near you.



US Canada Europe Asia/Pacific/Middle East Oceania Latin America Africa

US Missouri Pennsylvania boise columbia / ieff city altoona-iohnstown auburn east idaho lewiston / clarkston kansas city dothan harrisburg florence / muscle shoals twin falls kirksville lake of the ozarks gadsden-anniston lancaster Illinois huntsville / decatur southeast missouri lehigh valley springfield mobile bloomington-normal montgomery philadelphia tuscaloosa champaign urbana poconos reading Alaska decatur Montana la salle co scranton / wilkes-barre mattoon-charleston anchorage / mat-su billings state college peoria fairbanks williamsport york great falls helena southern illinois southeast alaska springfield Rhode Island Arizona kalispell western IL rhode island flagstaff / sedona montana (old) mohave county South Carolina phoenix bloomington charleston show low fort wayne grand island columbia lincoln north platte tucson kokomo greenville / upstate hilton head lafayette / west lafayette muncie / anderson omaha / council bluffs scottsbluff / panhandle myrtle beach Arkansas richmond south bend / michiana Nevada South Dakota favetteville terre haute northeast SD fort smith jonesboro little rock pierre / central SD rapid city / west SD sioux falls / SE SD texarkana

Next step is to focus on the "for sale" category. Once inside your category search for the word "new".

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for sale		
appliances	arts+crafts	
antiques	auto parts	
barter	baby+kids	
bikes	beauty+hlth	
boats	cars+trucks	
books	cds/dvd/vhs	
business	cell phones	
computer	clothes+acc	
free	collectibles	
furniture	electronics	
general	farm+garden	
jewelry	garage sale	
materials	household	
rvs	motorcycles	
sporting	music instr	
tickets	photo+video	
tools	toys+games	
wanted	video gaming	

42 INCH LCD FLAT SCREEN TV FOR SALE BRANDNEW IN BOX - \$650 (WATERFORD)

Date: 2010-10-06, 12:42PM EDT

Reply to:

[Errors when replying to ads?]

TO SEE THE FULL CRAIGSLIST AD CLICK THIS LINK BELOW TO SEE PICTURES AND INFO ON TV THANKS!!

- Location: WATERFORD
- it's NOT ok to contact this poster with services or other commercial interests



New Pool Table For Sale - \$1090 (Albany)

Date: 2010-10-07, 10:43AM EDT Reply to: see below

Pool table - pool tables - 8ft hand carved, Mother Of Pearl with K-66 Tournament rails, Italian slate - Retails \$3500 - Asking \$1090 - CALL

- Location: Albany
- · it's NOT ok to contact this poster with services or other commercial interests



Most of the time you'll be dealing with individuals but once in awhile you might be dealing with a retailer who wants to sell some products without letting their regular customers know.

It's also FREE to advertise all but real estate on Craiglist so for a retailer it's a no-brainer. They should be doing it.



Of course, the best kind of gift is one you make yourself by hand. Second best is one that someone else makes and you pass off as your own!

Etsy.com will allow you to do that!

Etsy is a place that artists can go to sell their artwork via their own store. They have over 30 different categories...



And each of those categories have sub-categories so if the person you are buying for likes handmade stuff, etsy is for you!

Want to make your own sock monkey?

There is a kit for that!



SOCK MONKEY KIT

Need some homemade jewelry?

A certain 11 year old niece of mine would love you to visit her store.

http://www.etsy.com/shop/gksgam



From their website...

Woot.com is an online store and community that focuses on selling cool stuff cheap.... We sell one item per day until it is sold out or until 11:59pm central time when it is replaced (see next entry for details). However, each item we sell is in stock and typically ships within 2-3 business days.



So you wouldn't go to woot in search of anything specific but you might find something great.



Like Woot, Groupon may save you money but you can't go there with anything specific in mind.

You sign up at their website and every day you get an email with some special deal in your area.

From their website...

How It Works

- 1. Each day we feature something cool to do at an unbeatable price.
- 2. You only get it if enough people join that day... so invite your friends!
- 3. Check back the next day for another awesome Groupon! Still have questions?

Get it? Group coupon = Groupon

I'm trying to imagine the guy that came up with this idea..telling all his friends about it. I'm sure most thought he was an idiot!

He's laughing now, I'll bet. (just assuming he's a he...women don't generally come up with good ideas like this.)



(Oh come on! I was kidding about the "women" comment!)

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This is a new one for me but I really like it so far.

From their website:

Every day, dealnews brings you the best deals available on the hottest items on the Internet. We scour over 2,000 online retailers and tens of thousands of deals to deliver the best 100+ deals each and every day — the kinds of deals you'd normally only see on Black Friday. We verify that each deal is valid, the lowest total price we could find, and from a reputable retailer. Then and only then do we post it for you. We take getting a bargain seriously, and then share what we find with you.

When you hit their site you'll find a tab that includes your home area. Click on that tab and you'll see the latest Groupon offerings and other items of local interest. This morning the temp was in the 30s so they offered a thermal coat from Amazon for only \$12.

An interesting feature for you iPhone users is that dealnews lets you know about specials going on in the AppStore.

They have an email list and alerts you can set up but you don't need to sign up for anything to take advantage of these savings.



CONCLUSION

What did I miss? If you've got a site or a strategy that I missed, be sure to let me know it and I'll include it in a future version of this report.

I'd love to get a report of your total savings during this holiday season. Please send them to lig@leoguinn.com

The best place to use those savings is on paying off your debts. I can help with that.

"FINALLY...You Can Pay Off ALL Your Debts, Including Your Mortgage, In Less Than 10 Years...Even If You Just Got Your Mortgage Yesterday...AND the More Debts You Have the Better!"



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