

## To find great tech idea gifts for everyone on your Christmas list, just

# go-go gadgets

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**H**oliday shopping is in full swing, and now that all the doorbusters have been had, here's a sampling of items that may help cut down shopping time. All the prices are listed as MSRP, so do some shopping around and you're sure to find 'em a whole lot cheaper.

### KENSINGTON MINI BATTERY PACK AND CHARGER FOR IPHONE AND IPOD

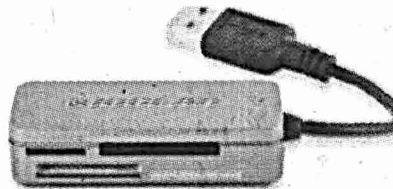
Your iPods or iPhones might be great, but it's useless without power. This pocket-sized device solves that problem: Users can expect to extend their device's playtime for about 30 hours of music, three hours of iPhone talk time or six hours of video playing.

A battery meter on the front of the charger warns users of how much power remains

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before the extra battery itself must be charged. An included USB cable can be used to charge your device as it charges the battery pack.

Details: [www.kensington.com](http://www.kensington.com), \$49.99

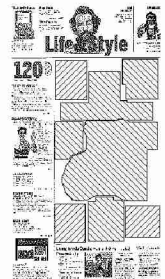


### IOGEAR 12-IN-1 AND 56-IN-1 MEMORY CARDS READER/WRITERS

Digital cameras have been a big hit as gifts, but getting the images from the camera to a computer is still a challenge for many. These devices from IOGEAR should solve that problem.

The 12-in-1, which measures just 2.5 inches long and less than one inch deep, will support digital memory cards in the SD, Micro SD, Mini SD, MMC, Memory Stick and MS Duo formats. These are found in many pocket-sized digital cameras and cell phones with removable memory cards.

If the 12-in-1 does not support your



card, then the 56-in-1 is for sure your solution to transfer data to and from devices including multiple digital camera memory card formats, camcorders, GPS units and PDAs. Both readers plug directly into USB ports for an easy download or transfer.

**Details:** [www.iogear.com](http://www.iogear.com), 12-in-1 \$11.95, 56-in-1 \$19.95

## DURACELL DAYLITE LED FLASHLIGHT

Most people think of the copper-top company as just a battery maker, but Duracell makes much more than that. Its products include this flashlight, which gives users a heavy-duty unit along with brighter light. The light was designed and developed with Duracell's patented TrueBeam technology, which the company says "captures, focuses and projects more light than the typical and current LED and bulb technologies in flashlights."

With the TrueBeam technology, the unit uses a lens and a reflector to capture and project the light, resulting in a brighter, white beam of light.

**Details:** [www.duracell.com](http://www.duracell.com), \$34.99

## ADOBE PHOTOSHOP ELEMENTS 7 & PREMIERE ELEMENTS 7 BUNDLE

The top-selling video and photo editing software just got upgraded, and it's a better deal for consumers.

The Windows-based software will allow users to edit photos and videos with ease, resulting in professional-looking digital photos and movies. You can even combine still images with video in single projects.

Premiere Elements 7 is photo-editing software used to make endless adjustments to digital photos, including adjusting colors and tones in photos or making selected crops. Many of the adjustments can be made in one simple mouse-click. Included are editing tools to turn photos into panoramas with compositing tools.

And for video, the elements software allows users to make top-notch, professional-looking movies. The new version supports the AVCHD format to analyze video clips and applies

Smart Tags. This will identify specific faces, sounds and quality for instant searches. A new feature to the software is InstantMovie, which allows video clips to be dragged and dropped into specific themes. These include sports, birthdays and weddings.

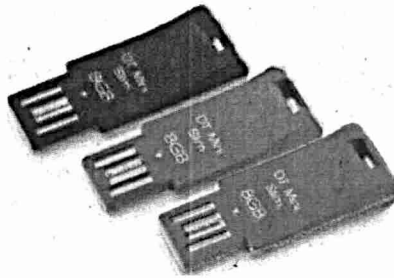
**Details:** [www.adobe.com](http://www.adobe.com), The Photoshop Elements 7 & Premiere Elements 7 bundle is available for \$149.99, on sale for \$99.99 through Dec. 10; separately they sell for \$99.99 each (Photoshop Elements 7 is on sale for \$74.99 through Dec. 10)

## HALLMARK CARD STUDIO DELUXE 2009 SOFTWARE

This software is for people who want to personalize their holiday cards. Users can create cards for all occasions with more than 9,000 included Hallmark cards and projects and 1,200 new designs, along with more than 16,000 premium clip art images.

While creating a card, users can write text messages or select wording included in the software. And you can make so much more than cards: Think calendars, gift tags, stationery, scrapbook pages and invitations.

**Details:** [www.hallmarksoftware.com](http://www.hallmarksoftware.com), \$49.99



## KINGSTON DATATRAVELER MINI SLIM USB DRIVE

These colorful USB drives – no larger than a postage stamp – offer lots of storage and look good, too. The MiniSlims fit on a keychain and are ideal to hold anything from music, movies or even a student's homework.

They come in sizes 2GB (\$12), 4GB (\$17) and 8GB (\$32).

**Details:** [www.kingston.com](http://www.kingston.com), \$12 to \$32



## LapOffice from Memorex

Keeping that laptop in your lap can be a little uncomfortable — hot legs aside. To the rescue: the very comfortable LapOffice. The unit acts as a lap desk, with a quilted design to promote better airflow and prevent your legs from overheating.

**Details:** [www.memorex.com](http://www.memorex.com), \$34.99, available in mocha brown and cream



## Griffin Technology iTrip

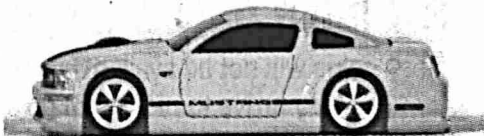
Simply plug the iTrip into an audio player's common 1/8-inch (3.5mm) headphone jack. With a quick set-up, you can find an FM frequency open in your area for broadcast on a home or car stereo. A lithium-ion battery is built into the device and can be charged with any USB port, thus eliminating the need to constantly replace batteries.

**Details:** [www.griffintechnology.com](http://www.griffintechnology.com), \$39.99

## Four Door Media's Road Mice

The Road Mice are a series of wireless optical cars that function as computer mice. Sitting on my desk, it looks great and works just as well. The Road Mice are great replicas of these models: Chevrolet Camaro Concept, Corvette Z06, Dodge Charger SRT8 and SRT8 Super Bee, Dodge Viper SRT10 and the Ford Mustang GT.

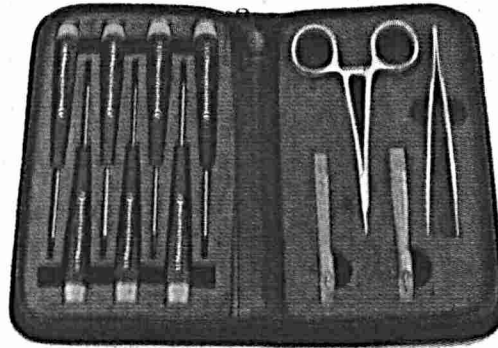
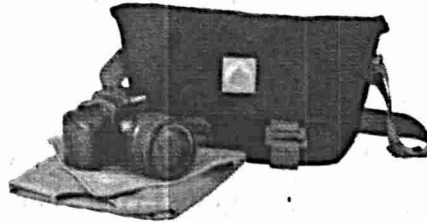
**Details:** [www.roadmice.com](http://www.roadmice.com), \$44.95



## Lowepro Camera/Accessory Pouches

The small carrying pouches, including the hardware, are made of 95 percent recycled materials and are ideal for storing portable electronic devices in style. These can include digital cameras, GPS units, cell phones or MP3 players.

**Details:** [www.lowepro.com](http://www.lowepro.com), \$19.99 to \$79.99



## NewerTech Toolkit

The 11-piece kit includes all you need to service and upgrade computers and devices such as iPods. You'll find Torx drivers, tweezers, Phillips and standard screwdrivers and two plastic iPod pry tools.

**Details:** [www.newertech.com](http://www.newertech.com), \$17.95

## iTeddy by iZizzle

Get the young ones into the tech world early with this stuffed teddy bear. Its removable media player features a belt clip and comes loaded with games and videos. A USB cable is included to download other video, music, photos and games into the bear.

All this is viewable on a built-in 1.8-inch screen, which sits right in the bear's belly and is coverable with the included T-shirt, and audible thanks to built-in speakers.

**Details:** [www.iteddy.com](http://www.iteddy.com), \$89.99



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