Christmas preparation checklist

8 WEEKS BEFORE
Make a holiday budget
Brainstorm gift ideas
Take a family photo for the Christmas card

7 WEEKS BEFORE
Create a holiday calendar
Order online presents
Start planning your Christmas card

6 WEEKS BEFORE
Decide who is hosting Christmas
Order your Christmas cards
Make an address list for your Christmas cards

5 WEEKS BEFORE
Order your Christmas cards
Do a Christmas supplies inventory check

4 WEEKS BEFORE
Buy and decorate a Christmas tree
Go Black Friday and Cyber Monday shopping
Mail gifts to friends and family
If you are hosting Christmas, send your guests an itinerary

3 WEEKS BEFORE
Pass out the advent calendars on the first day of December
Put up your holiday decorations
Plan outfits for Christmas family photos
Send your Christmas cards

2 WEEKS BEFORE
Plan your Christmas Eve and Day menus
Make a cooking timeline
Order a fresh turkey or ham from your grocery store
Make a display out of Christmas cards

1 WEEK BEFORE
Go grocery shopping
Put up stockings
Cook dishes that can be frozen

CHRISTMAS WEEK
Begin wrapping your gifts
Make a playlist with your favorite holiday tunes

CHRISTMAS EVE
Have a Christmas movie marathon
Do your Christmas Eve traditions
Leave out cookies and milk for Santa
Put all of the gifts under the tree

CHRISTMAS DAY
Make Christmas-themed drinks
Open presents
Make a list of what you received for thank you notes