

# GARAGE SALES

## Garage Sale Survival Guide

### How to Stay Energized and Organized Throughout the Big Day

Hosting a garage sale can be exciting, but managing everything on sale day requires preparation and stamina.

With some strategic planning and self-care, you can handle the day smoothly and enjoy the rewards of a successful event.

#### START STRONG WITH A MORNING ROUTINE

An early start is key to setting up before the first shoppers arrive. Plan to wake up at least two hours before the sale begins to organize your items, put out signs, and handle last-minute tasks. Dress comfortably, choosing clothes with pockets for essentials like a phone, change, and receipts.

Make sure your sale area is well-organized and inviting. Place high-demand items, such as electronics or furniture, where they are easily visible. Create clear pathways for shoppers to navigate and keep sale supplies — like extra price tags and bags — within reach. Starting the day with a tidy setup sets the tone.

#### STAY ALERT AND ENERGIZED

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to surviving a busy sale day. Keep a water bottle nearby to stay hydrated and have a stash of quick, nutritious snacks to maintain your energy. A few breaks to sit and relax, even if brief, can keep you from feeling burned out.

If you have helpers, assign roles to ensure the workload is shared. One person can monitor the checkout area while another assists shop-

pers or keeps the sale space tidy.

Delegating tasks not only lightens your load but also allows you to focus on interacting with buyers and making sales.

#### HANDLE THE UNEXPECTED

Garage sales often come with surprises, from unexpected crowds to sudden

weather changes. Be ready to adapt.

For example, if you're running low on change, prepare a plan for handling larger bills, such as asking buyers for exact amounts. Keep a small notebook or app handy to track sales if things get busy.

If the weather shifts, have tarps or umbrellas available to protect your items. Adjusting quickly to challenges ensures

that your sale stays on track and leaves customers impressed with your professionalism.

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#### SELLER'S TIP

##### Stay Hydrated and Energized

Keep water and snacks handy throughout the day to maintain energy and focus during your garage sale.

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