GARAGE SALES

Declutter Fast With a Garage Sale

Turn Your Cleanup Project Into a Successful One-Day Event

lutter can pile up quickly, and tackling it can feel overwhelming. But turning your decluttering project into a garage sale gives you both a deadline and a reward. With the right strategy, you can downsize your belongings and earn extra cash in just one productive weekend.

SORT WITH PURPOSE AND SPEED

Start by working room to room with a clear goal: if you haven't used it in a year, it's time to consider letting it go. Create three categories as you go — sell, donate and toss and avoid getting stuck on sentimental decisions.

Use laundry baskets or bins to collect items for the sale as you go. Don't overthink pricing or display yet — focus on clearing space. The faster you make these decisions, the more satisfying your progress will feel.

PRICE AND ORGANIZE IN BATCHES

Once you've gathered everything to sell, do a quick onceover to make sure items are clean and in working condition. Then price items in groups - kitchenware, books,



toys, clothing — to save time.

Use stickers, painter's tape or pre-printed tags. Don't aim for top dollar; aim for movement. The goal is to get things out of your home, not create a boutique experience. You can use bulk deals like "3 for \$5" or "Fill a bag for \$10" to encourage faster sales.

For large or bulky items, take a few photos and write up brief descriptions ahead of time — you can use these for digital promotion the night before.

SET A DEADLINE AND STICK TO IT

Pick a sale date and commit to it. Knowing that your decluttering deadline is also a garage sale creates a built-in incentive to stay focused. In

the days leading up to your sale, spend a little time each evening organizing, setting up tables or prepping signs.

Be realistic about what won't sell and plan ahead for cleanup. Line up a local donation center, or schedule a pickup for the day after. The key to fast decluttering is keeping momentum — even after the sale ends.

CLEAR CLUTTER AND CLEAR YOUR MIND

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SELLER'S TIP

Set a No-Takeback Rule

Once you decide to sell something, commit to letting it go — even if it doesn't sell. Plan to donate what's left immediately after the sale.

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