

## Practical party game gifts for the 50+ crowd

Most holiday party goers love to have a good time no matter who's hosting. Group games figure into a fun-filled evening, but what do you give to the winners of charades and twister? What do you give other than the tired old gag-gift or the dreary mug (not again!) Well, here's a helpful list I've compiled. Since these gifts are for the over-50 set, and I'm one, remember, we have everything or have had everything and given it away. It's ***the practical things that mean the most to us now***. I, personally, would love to get any of these as a gift:

**Grand Prize Winner:** *A Marilyn's Originals tea cozy* <http://marilynsoriginals.com>

### **Everyone else:**

- A movie ticket
- A \$5.00 gift certificate to Starbucks
- A pair of tapered candles from the supermarket
- That free ballpoint pen you were given at the bank
- A new, sharpened #2 pencil
- The last novel you read
- A bar of lavender-scented soap from the drugstore
- A package of emery boards for filing nails
- A new key ring
- A package of decorated paper napkins
- A couple of blank greeting cards that I can send to anyone for any occasion (with envelopes, please)
- Lip balm
- A new box of tea bags
- A pot holder
- A new pair of nail clippers
- A package of AA batteries
- A travel size of anything: toothpaste, shampoo, Wet Ones, deodorant, shaving cream...  
(Everyone loves those little tiny sizes and everyone can use one!)
- A silk Gerbera daisy
- A new roll of Scotch-brand tape for sealing boxes
- A small box of envelopes (the long ones) – the kind with the security lining
- A box of colorful, plastic (large!) paperclips
- A wooden hanger for a suit jacket
- A new roll of all-occasion gift wrap
- A new gift bag with tissue

A few letter-size file folders in a nice color – like purple or green

A small bottle of pure vanilla extract

A new black permanent marker

Cupcake papers

A blank writing tablet

A brand-new off-the-rack copy of People

An extra-large Snickers bar

A map of the city or state

An unopened box of Kleenex

A package of light bulbs

A bottle of arthritis-strength aspirin

The contents of your change jar