

Get Connected *Tis the Season to*



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It's that time of the year, when we search for that perfect gift for family and friends for the holidays. Once again, *Get Connected* presents you with a handy guide on the most up-to-date information about popular electronics products in stores today.

These aren't just for the electronics buff. These days, almost everyone owns a cellphone. If you or someone you know is in the market for a new one, check out the article on "Doing Double Duty." We're all carrying around more equipment than we ever have before. Cellphone manufacturers recognize this and are now combining phones with MP3 players, cameras and PDAs (personal digital assistants), to help us lighten the load.

Satellite radio has been on the scene in Canada for only the last couple of years. XM Radio, one of the brands currently available in Canada, offers extensive listening choices that take you way beyond AM and FM. Find out about satellite radio service and how easy it is to receive over 60 channels of commercial-free music in every genre imaginable, along with talk radio, sports, religion and news. And learn how easy it is to use these versatile little radios in your car, at home, or on the run.

Sincerely,

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Catch the latest information on the "format wars," between Blu-Ray and HD DVD. Not since Beta went up against VHS has a home electronics battle been so close. The choice may be tougher than you think. Read on to find out the differences between the two formats and why you might want to choose one over the other.

The computer gamer in your family will know all about MMORPGs (massively-multiplayer online role-playing games). Bone up on your techno knowledge and learn about the genre of game playing that has captured the fascination of millions of players around the globe, drawing them into other worlds. You can also read about a sampling of the latest MMORPG games.

Have you got a foodie in the house? I love kitchen gadgets and know first-hand how much fun it is to receive the latest electronic gizmo for the kitchen. After you read about these trendy kitchen gadgets, you'll wonder how you got along all these years without them!

Whoever's on your list, and whatever you choose to delight them this holiday season, there's bound to be something within these pages to please everyone. And, you never know, you might even find something to add to your own list.

Enjoy!

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