



Earth-Friendly Gift Giving Guide:

This Christmas season, the members of the **Tuesdays at Two** book club invite you to consume less, love more. After completing the reading of Robin Wall Kimmerer's *Braiding Sweetgrass*, we would like you to consider the following gift giving recommendations. The list was compiled to ensure that recycling and earth-friendly principles were integrated into these holiday practices.

1. Give the gift of time. Memory making with the ones that you love is invaluable.
2. Give the gift of experiences. Consider movie or museum passes, tickets to a theatre production or a live musical event. (Mosaic's concerts, anyone?)
3. Gifts of organic soaps or food items.
4. Go shopping in your home. Consider re-gifting an item from your house with a note explaining its history and why it was chosen for the recipient.
5. Share a talent/passion or teach a new skill.
6. Donate to a charity in honor of a loved one.
7. Shop at a consignment or thrift store.
8. Instead of exchanging gifts with one another, consider hosting a family collection for a local shelter, food pantry or animal rescue.
9. Avoid the purchase of fancy gift bags and wrapping paper. What might you do with a recycled brown paper bag?
10. Ponder the impact of your purchase on God's beautiful Creation before you shop. Is the item easily recyclable or will it end up in a landfill? Is it built to last? Does it harm the environment?