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**The Clean, Cozy
 and Comfy Home**

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Keeping your house clean, safe and comfortable is always a top priority. Busy parents want to take care of their homes and families in ways that are quick, easy, economical and good for the environment. San Diego Family Magazine reviewed some of the best new products for household and personal care and rated them (10 is the highest score) on price, quality, functionality, enjoyment and usefulness.

Shark Cordless VX3

SharkVX3.com; \$79.99

Score: 9

Dual-speed VX3 has swivel steering, bottom-emptying dust tray and super-wide brush roll. Lightweight and compact, the VX3 has an adjustable "backaver" handle for hard-to-reach areas.

Jenny loves how the cordless, rechargeable vac lets her clean anywhere in the house, but says it works best on hard surfaces or short carpets.



OopDoo Hug

OopDooHug.com; \$18.99 - 24.99

Score: 10

OopDoo Hug is a soft fleece wrap in the shape of a bandage. Use it as a security blanket for home or daycare, or slip a pain-relieving hot/cold pack into the pocket to soothe minor aches. This unique gift promotes empathy and healing. Christine says, "My son reaches for his OopDoo whenever he has a boo-boo. It instantly makes him feel better!"



Pilot Be Green Pens and Pencils

PilotBeGreen.us; Prices vary

Score: 10

Earth-friendly BeGreen products are composed of at least 70 percent recycled material.

Kirsten says, "Great pens! Ink flows smoothly, no skips or blobs."

Pen fanciers will love the clear barrels that let you see how much ink is left, the bright colors and clean lines.



Pak-Lite

9VoltLight.com; \$24.99

Score: 9.5

Small, lightweight Pak-Lite combines two super bright bulbs with a 9-volt battery. Patented design makes the long-lasting, durable and proven flashlight.

"Convenient Pak-Lite in a pocket," says Francis took it on a Cub Scout camp and it worked great. It's small and powerful."

Pak-Lite comes in a range of styles and colors.



Pyranna Plastic Package Opener

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