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One of the hardest people to buy gifts for is mother, so after we have just the right thing for her let's wrap it up especially attractively. Green paper and black cellophane ribbon with a reindeer motif in it would make a perfect combination. Try tying just the corners as you have seen some department stores tie their boxes.

Then in one corner fix a huge bow and clip all the loops. If you roll each loop around a pencil and leave it there just a second it will give the effect of a large flower. Be careful not to set any package on top of it to crush the bow. Mother will be as proud of the packing that shows such time and thought as the gift inside.

Now for dad's gift. Any man will love to get his Christmas package wrapped in black cellophane and tied with a large silver ribbon. Maybe some printed or figured paper with deer prancing about would interest him. If a bold print is used the tying should be very simple. It is better to use glue on the corners and a sticker or two where extra support is needed.

We started out by saying that we could wrap gifts cleverly for everyone in the family from the youngest to the oldest. Now, how shall we wrap that beautiful shoulderette for grandmother? That new paper which resembles an English print would be lovely. The pictures of the old fashioned ladies and gentlemen will send grandmother's thoughts back to her younger days. For this reason, do not cover up the scenery with huge bows and stickers.

Again use glue to hold the ends tightly, a plain sticker to hold on the name card and grandmother will be glad to receive your attractively wrapped gift.

From the baby of the family to grandmother, each will enjoy these attractively wrapped Christmas packages.

CLOTHES make the man," is a common remark. Likewise, wrappings make the Christmas gift now that we have dismissed the white paper and red tying idea. Everyone from the baby of the family to dear old grandmother will feel an extra wave of excitement as she opens even the most trivial gift if it has been cleverly wrapped.

First let us see how we could wrap the boxes of tiny toys for Billy. Any child around the age of three or four who still believes in the mythical tale of Santa Claus will be thrilled and excited if he should receive a gift wrapped in red crepe paper over which has been placed white cellophane with Santa's face, reindeer and toys pictured upon it. When this combination is used the most important part of the wrappings—the pictures of Santa.

If, however, you feel that just stickers will not hold the paper securely, tie just two of the corners with plain red cellophane ribbon. The red will lend an interesting note and will bring out the red in the printed cellophane.

"How can I wrap that package for Betty?" Such a question arises when there happens to be a college girl in the family, for everyone wants to pretty things up just a little more modernly for her. Why not wrap those gay pajamas in sky blue paper with a huge silver bow? Then clip the loops of the bow and bring them down with the ends holding each one in place with a silver star. If you will place the ends so that they form part of a circle around the bow, the stars will seem to be radiating from the huge bow, making a delightful effect and you will duly impress "College Betty" that you are still up and coming.