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Preparing Your Home For Showing

First Impressions count with buyers. You don't get a second chance to make a good first impression, so a small investment in time and money can give your house the advantage over competing homes in your neighborhood when it comes time for your sales representative to show it to a prospective buyer. Here are some suggestions for preparing your home for showing:

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- _ Repair leaky taps and toilets
- _ Clean furnace and humidifier
- _ Tighten door knobs and cupboard
- __ Repair cracked plaster
- _ Touch up chipped paint
- __ Clean and repair windows
- __ Repair seals around tub and basin
- Replace burned out light bulbs
- __Oil squeaking doors

Cleanliness

- Clean and freshen bathrooms
- _ Clean refrigerator and stove
- Clean furnace exterior
- Clean washer, dryer and laundry tub
- Clean carpets

When the Door Opens

- _ Clean and tidy porch and foyer
- _ Does the doorbell ring?
- __ Is the door hardware in good shape?
- __ Is the air fresh?

Curb Appeal

- Cut lawns
- __ Trim hedges and shrubs
- _ Weed and edge gardens
- _ Pick up litter
- __ Clear drive and walkway of snow and leaves
- _ Repair soffits and eavestroughs
- _ Clean out garbage
- _ Touch up paint

Create a Buying Mood

- __ Arrange to be absent during showings
- __ Turn on all lights
- __ Turn on air conditioning
- _ Light fireplace
- _ Open drapes in the daytime
- __ Play quiet background music

Lots of Space

- __ Clean halls and stairs of clutter
- _ Store surplus furniture
- _ Clean kitchen counters and stove
- __ Make Closets neat and tidy



Yes

