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***"FROM HOLIDAY GIFTS TO
YOUR PURPOSE:
A CREATIVE SECOND ACT"***

"Creativity is the spark that ignites purpose and passion. Let your gifts lead you to something extraordinary."

Reflect on Your Holiday Creations

Transform Your Creativity Into a Purposeful Second Act!

Introduction: Think about the gifts you've created during the holidays and the joy they've brought to others. Use the prompts below to reflect on your experience.

Reflection Questions:

1. What do I enjoy most about creating gifts for others?
2. How do my handmade gifts bring joy during the holidays?
3. Have I ever thought about turning my creative talents into something more?
4. What motivates me to explore this idea further—extra income, personal fulfillment, or making a difference?
5. What are some of the most memorable holiday gifts you've created?
6. Have you received specific feedback or encouragement to expand on your creations?

Your Answers:

Your Answers Continued:

Holiday Gift-Making Ideas That Inspire Purpose

Holiday Gifts With a Future in Mind

Activity 1: Holiday Gift Brainstorm

- List five gift ideas you can create for the holidays.
- Note which ones people have complimented or requested before.

Your Answers:

Activity 2: What Makes Your Gifts Unique?

- Identify what sets your creations apart (e.g., quality, personal touch, unique materials).
- What skills or techniques do you use to create your gifts (e.g., sewing, painting, baking)?
- What sets your creations apart from store-bought or mass-produced?

- Which part of the creative process excites you the most?
- Are there any themes or styles that consistently appear in your work (e.g., rustic, modern, vibrant)?
- Write how this uniqueness could inspire a niche for a career or project.

Your Answers:

Exploring Opportunities Beyond the Holidays

Turning Holiday Magic Into a New Path

Activity 1: From Seasonal to Year-Round

- List ways to adapt your holiday gift ideas into year-round creations (e.g., custom gift baskets, home décor, or themed crafts for other occasions).
- Could your creations solve a problem or fill a gap in the market?
- What audiences might benefit from your talents (e.g., customers, community groups, nonprofits)?
- Imagine showcasing your work. Where do you see it thriving (e.g. craft fairs, online stores, workshops)?

Your Answers:

Your Answers Continued:

Activity 2: Potential Purpose-Driven Projects

Project Idea	Who Would Benefit	How Could It Grow
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Teaching holiday crafts• Selling themed gift items• Creating gifts for charities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local schools, community centers• Friends, family, local markets• Shelters, hospitals, fundraisers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Host workshops or create online courses• Launch a website or Etsy shop• Collaborate with nonprofits

Page 4: Building Your Second Act Action Plan

From Idea to Action

Step-by-Step Guide:

Holiday Goal: Choose one-holiday gift project to focus on this season.

Test the Waters: Where can you sell, gift, or showcase your holiday creations to gauge interest and feedback.

Beyond the Holidays:

- Identify one new audience or market for your creations.
- Identify one small step you can take today to move closer to your goal.
- Set a goal for where you'd like this talent to take you in the next year.

Your Answers:

Envision Year-Round Opportunities

- Take your talent from a seasonal activity to something bigger.
- Could you teach your skills to others through workshops or classes?
- Are there charities or organizations that might benefit from your creations (e.g., donating handmade items)?
- What steps would you need to take to start selling your creations (e.g., setting up an online store, pricing)?
- Can you imagine turning your creative passion into a side business or full-time endeavor?

Your Answers: