## \*\*Sleep Hygiene Checklist\*\*

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Optimizing your sleep environment and habits can be the key to a rejuvenating night's rest. Use this checklist to establish a healthy sleep routine.

**Bedroom Environment**
**Comfortable Mattress and Pillows**: Ensure they provide adequate support and are in good condition.
**Darkness**: Use blackout curtains or an eye mask to block out light.
""> **Quiet**: Consider earplugs or white noise machines if external noises are disruptive.
□ **Cool Temperature**: Keep the room slightly cool, typically between 60-67°F (15-19°C).
→ **Pre-Bed Rituals**
**Limit Screen Time**: Avoid phones, tablets, and TVs at least an hour before bed.
**Relaxing Activities**: Incorporate reading, meditation, or gentle stretching.
**Limit Heavy Meals**: Aim to finish eating 2-3 hours before your bedtime.
**Consistency**

<ul> <li>**Regular Sleep Schedule**: Go to bed and wake up at the same times daily, even on weekends.</li> <li>**Limit Naps**: If you nap during the day, keep it short (20-30 minutes) and avoid napping late in the afternoon.</li> </ul>	ıe
<ul> <li>**Limit Intake**</li> <li>**Reduce Caffeine**: Limit coffee, tea, and other caffeinated drinks, especially in the afternoon and evening.</li> <li>**Limit Liquids**: Reduce fluid intake in the evening to prevent disruptive middle-of-the-night trips to the bathroom.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>**Natural Aids**</li> <li>□ **Consider Herbal Tea**: Opt for non-caffeinated teas like chamomile or valerian root before bed.</li> <li>□ **Aromatherapy**: Use calming essential oils like lavender in a diffuser or as a room spray.</li> </ul>	
**Seek Professional Help if Needed**  **Persistent Sleep Issues**: If you consistently struggle with sleep, consider consulting a sleep specialist.  **Address Health Issues**: Conditions like sleep apnea or restless leg syndrome might be disrupting your sleep.	
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\*\*Bonus Tip\*\*: Remember, everyone's sleep needs and habits are different. Listen to your body and find what combination of these tips works best for you.

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