

## STUFF TECH



### Three New Late Excuses

- 1 I was baby-sitting for the Octomom.
- 2 I threw out my back lifting my man-purse!
- 3 The wife took her sweet time with the morning BJ.

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## Tough Times

These rugged wristwatches pack tons of features and face the harshest conditions without flinching. Unlike you.

**1 Slim Ticking**

All-terrain watches can get a little chunky, but you won't be embarrassed to be seen with the **Freestyle Nomad**. It has a stripped-down style but still offers a handy digital compass, a backlit display, a split-screen chronograph, and 30 meters of water resistance, in case your sweet wrist jewelry fails to prevent you from getting thrown in the pool. **\$160, freestyleusa.com**

**2 GP Yes!**

While all these units carry the standard way-more-than-you-need functions (barometric pressure, anyone?), the **Suunto X10** alone boasts GPS. Its Google Earth-compatible system not only tracks waypoints and routes but also syncs with your PC to catalog where you have been. Do not let the lady in your life know about this function. **\$599, suuntowatches.com**

**3 High Climbs**

Engineered to tackle the biggest mountains, the **Casio G-Shock Riseman** wraps its heavy protection around an atomic timekeeper and an altimeter and stopwatch. It can track altitude over five-second intervals, allowing climbers, bikers, and skiers to see just how much they're traveling up or falling down. Green freaks: It's also solar-powered. **\$220, gshock.com**

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**5 Go Finger**

We dig the titanium **Tissot T-Touch Expert**. In addition to being fun to say, it offers the "Azimuth function," a compass that displays arrows to lead you out of whatever wilder-mess you've stumbled into. Even better, its "tactile crystal" (or touch-screen) lets you control it simply by tapping its face with your paws. **\$1,095, tissot.ch**  
—Steve Mazzucchi