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The most important decision when you choose a slow cooker is whether to buy a programmable slow cooker or not. The advantage of a programmable slow cooker is that it has a timer incorporated, so you can set it to cook for a specified time. The cooker will enable its keep-warm mode after this. Simpler and less expensive models don't have the timer, but they still have adjustable temperature controls. This means that you will have to be around and keep an eye on the slow cooker. Programmable slow cookers can be purchased from \$45 to \$250, while a good mechanical slow cooker can be bought for less than \$50.

As you consider which slow cooker to buy, you should consider the following. A very important issue is the size of your family. You will have to choose a 6-quart slow cooker if you have four people or more. The smaller, 4-quart model is better for singles or small families. Smaller families can buy the larger model, but then they will have to freeze the leftovers. However, before you make an order, you have to know that a larger slow cooker takes up more space, and it is heavier to lift and carry.

Take some time and think about how you cook and what you cook? A large, oval-shaped crock is justified if you prepare meat roasts or whole chickens often. However, a round crock is better if you cook soups and stews more often.

Then there is the question about the insert. Most slow cookers have removable stoneware inserts. These are heavy, but at the same time they are sturdy and practical. There are inserts that can be reheated in the microwave or the oven. There are slow cookers with aluminum or steel inserts, so you can brown meat directly on the crock. There are slow cooker inserts coated with a nonstick material: these are easier to clean, but have to be treated very carefully, because the finish can be easily damaged.

It is very important that the cooker you buy has a removable insert which is dishwasher-safe. It is also a good idea to check how much the broken lid or insert will cost to replace. Some slow cookers have expensive parts, so you can easily end up in the situation when you have to throw away the whole cooker because the replacement part is too expensive. Finally it is important to be careful when you use the slow cooker for the first time: you will have to avoid extended heat-up and cool-down periods.

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