

NEUTROGENA HEALTHY SKIN REJUVENATOR, \$40

What it is: A kit with single-use puffs filled with ultrafine crystals. The puffs attach to a battery-operated, vibrating handle. It's meant to rival a professional microdermabrasion treatment.

The claim: A significant improvement in fine lines, wrinkles, age spots, and firmness in two months if used three times a week.

The verdict: Worth it. Our judge says her skin looked fresher after a few weeks. The experts agree: "It adds luster and may help over time with fine lines," says Heidi Waldorf, M.D., a dermatologist in Nanuet, New York.

iWHITE LIGHT ACTIVATED TEETH WHITENING KIT, \$38

What it is: A bleaching tray that comes with a battery-operated blue light to amp up the whitening action.

The claim: A brighter smile in five days if you use it for 40 minutes a day (20 on top, 20 on bottom).

The verdict: Try it. Our reviewer says her teeth looked much brighter by the end of day five ("enough for my husband to notice"). Lana Rozenberg, D.D.S. owner of the Rozenberg Dental Day Spa. in New York City, confirms this gadget can get teeth up to five shades whiter.



CLEAN & CLEAR ADVANTAGE BLACKHEAD ERASER EXFOLIATING CLEANSER, \$20

What it is: A battery-operated, vibrating gizmo that holds salicylic acid-filled pads to fight bacteria.

The claim: Far fewer blackheads if used three or four times a week.

The verdict: A bust. Our judge still saw blackheads. The reason: "The only way to get rid of blackheads is by extraction," says New York City dermatologist Cheryl Karcher, M.D.

COMPLETELY BARE WAX WORKS, \$135

What it is: A kit with the kind of high-quality waxing tools the top spas use, plus an instructional DVD.

The claim: A fuzz-free finish with hardly any pain or irritation.

The verdict:Thumbs up. Our tester thought this wax spread more evenly than the drugstore versions she's tried, which made removal much easier. Of course, it may take some trial and error to perfect the process.

NO! NO!, \$250

What it is: A petite thermal hair-removal device that uses gentle heat waves to destroy hair follicles.

The claim: A 64 percent reduction in hair growth in four months when you use it twice a week.

The verdict: Pricey, but it does work. Our tester noticed her leg hair growing in finer after a month's use. Dr. Karcher approves too, pointing out that the No! No! is painless and results last far longer than a wax job.