

Make sure your home is vacation-ready before you go

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Dear Kelly: My attic is a great storage place for my winter clothes and lots of other things. I put a plain plywood floor down to stand on and to stack the boxes on. There was already a light up there, but it was just a plain socket with a single light bulb in it. I was afraid the bulb would go out while I was up

there, so I installed a double socket. It screws into the single socket in place of the single bulb. With this, you will have two light bulbs. Even if one burns out – and one always does – I'll still have the other for a backup. – J.C.

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