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TWO OPTIONS FOR PRINTING THE MENU PLAN EACH WEEK: CUSTOMIZE THIS WEEK'S MENU PLAN | PRINT THIS WEEK'S MENU PLAN AS IS

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Do Ahead AND Delegate

I just can't cook when my kitchen counters are messy. Perhaps it makes the scene feel too chaotic from the start. Or maybe it creates more clutter in my already cluttered brain. But I need some space to spread out when I cook. Of course by the time dinner is ready the counters are often covered with dirty pans and dishes, open jars, sticky sauces and vegetable peels, but if they start out that way, I can't get my cooking Mojo on.

Getting a jump start by doing some prep earlier in the day can definitely ease dinnertime stress. To make this even easier, we recently introduced a new feature in The Scramble newsletter, **Do Ahead or Delegate**. (You'll find these suggestions under the recipe directions in most new Scramble recipes.) In addition to those suggestions, here are a couple of my dinnertime sanity secrets:

 Before I start to make dinner, I find it extremely helpful to pull out the evening's recipe and read through the

THIS WEEK'S MENU

Spiced Chicken with Maple Butter Glaze EX 30 minutes

Pan-Fried Tilapia with Mango Lime Salsa EX 20 minutes

Crispy Stuffed Tex-Mex Potato

V м 20 min./70 min

Japanese Vegetable Noodle Soup

Indian Spiced Lentils with Rice

V = Vegetarian or Veg-friendly alternative M = Make ahead EX = Scramble Express (30 minutes or less total) S = Side Dish Only

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